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# keeps open option of early election

Government legislation to be disclosed in the Oueen's Speech on Thursday will be subject to the option of a spring or summer general elec- of Labour government before Mr Heath's election victory in tion. But the Speech will confirm Mr Callaghan's 1970. confidence that the parliamentary session will run its full course.

### Government measures with popular appeal

Most of the undertakings on Most of the undertakings on legislation to be given by the Government in the Queen's Speech on Thursday setting out the parliamentary programme for next session will be subject to the reservation, "if there is into "

Options must be kept open for the possibility of a spring or summer election. But the contents of the speech will confirm that Mr Callaghan is confidently planning for the session to run its full length and that his preference, if the economy continues to improve and inflation is held in check, s for a 1979 election.

Apart from the three consti-urional Bills, for the devolution of power to assemblies in cotland and Wales, and for irect elections to the European arliament (which have overiding priority) there will be everal measures having wide opular appeal, useful to abour in regaining electoral apport during the run-up to a ::: eneral election.

Preeminent will be two ousing Bills (one for England id Wales, one-for Scotland) to ovide interest-free loans of 100 to first-time house buyers. give further aid to local
athorities trying to bring back
e and industry to inner city
cas, and to allow local counis much greater discretion
er housing policies and pro-

According to one Cabinet inister, the constitutional ils will so dominate the par If the only about 20 days left were dependent on that it would probably come to a bad cause the committee stage of the Bills must be taken on the control of or of the Commons and not a committee "upstairs". Much depends on the Governint's success in placating its or so rebels on devolution.

I carrying by the end of sember a guillotine motion ting out a fixed timetable considering the Scottish Bill.
he signs are that the remainpockets of resistance are
med by Labour MPs from North-east and from Mersey-

. One of them, Mr Arthur tomley (Teesside, Middles-ugh), has said that the Prime ister was bluffing when he cated that the guillotine ion would be made a motion confidence in the Govern-it if the rebels did not come eel. But the Prime Minister ot bluffing, and the rebels

acknowledge that they would have to give in.

the lines of the agencies pro-posed for Scotland and Wales. They will not get them, but they will get firm assurances that the economic aid to their regions will be proportionate to hat given elsewhere, so that Scotland and Wales do not become magnets for industrial development, to the detriment of other areas with a high level

With their own rebels bought off " and with the backing of Liberals and nationalists, and the abstention of the Ulster Unionists, and perhaps with the help of some Conservaries who reject the Shadow Cabinet's line, the Government should be able to speed up the devolution Bills.

Mr Callaghan believes that the passing of the Scottish Bill is essential if more Labourhed seets in Scotland are not to

seats in Scotland are not to fall to the nationalists, thus harming the prospects of Labour getting an overall majority at the next election.

The chances of speedy progress for the European elections Eill are slim. The Liberal Party has demanded that Mr Callaghan should line up his ministers and MPs behind the Eill and the clause providing for the elections to be held on the regional list sessent of prothe regional list system of pro-portional representation. If the

leagues recognize that the Conservatives (who claim a deeper commitment to Europe than Labour), and the Labour Party are deeply divided on the issue. A free vote has been promised and it could well result in a commitment to the first-pastthe post system, which would probably lead to lengthy wrangling over Euro-constituency

Mr Geoffrey Rippon, leader of the Conservative delegation to the European Parliament, is forecasting that proportional representation will be rejected, that the elections will be put off, and that the Labour Party will accuse the Tories of upset-

Continued on page 2 col 5 held territory.-Reuter and UPI.

# Queen's speech Sir Harold rejected honours list scrutiny in 1968, according to diaries

Sir Harold Wilson, when Prime Minister, dismissed sug-gestions that there should be a committee to scrutinize his honours lists as early as 1968, on the ground that it would frustrate his efforts to send unusual candidates to the House of

That and many other illuminating and often unflattering. asides on the behaviour of the Secretary and the last two years

Archbishop Hilarion Capucci.

Papal plea to

Israel can

free prelate

alem, jailed on arms smuggling

charges, once it received a formal request from the Pope.

It would not however, pardon

A Government spokesman said the Vatican had initiated

contacts soon after the new

Likud Government took over in

Israel earlier this year to dis-

cuss the archbishop, who has

served nearly three years of a 12-year sentence for allegedly smuggling arms to Palestinian guerrillas in Israeli-occupied

territories.

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He portrays a Cabiner that was often demoralized and divided, a Prime Minister who frequently resorted to the advice of his "kitchen cabinet" rather than of his ministerial colleagues, and a party that had more or less abanconed hope of winning the 1970 election despite ruling with what, in despite ruting with what, the hindsight, appears to be a luxur-ious majority of 64.

On the honours issue Sir Harold is quoted as saying: "If

Cabinet are contained in the a committee came in and saw third and final volume of the my list they would make diffidiaries of the late Richard culties about my choice of Crossman, published today. The Tommy Balogu, for example, or last instalment spans Mr Crossman' tenure of the newly person whom they had never created post of Social Services heard of."

Mr Crossman, finding early in 1969 that he has become the new cult figure of the Labour Party's left wing, observes that

Staff, no executive, and with Burke Trend (secretary to the Cabinet) away ill he just has his Marcia, his Gerald Kaufman and his new fellow, Eric Varley. Harold lives in his lonely little place and does not do on thing. We have got to get an inner Cabinet to restrain him."

A week later the diarist is complaining again that the Prime Minister is raking import-ant decisions on Ulster, Rhode-sia, Nigeria and Anguilla without full consultation with his colleagues.

"He has a passion for being on the spot, being in the news. ... Just as he waited for the thance to intervene in Rhodesia

talks, so he is trying another such adventure (on Ulster), and that is all the leadership he is giving us."

After his talks on board the Fearless with Mr Ian Smith, Sir Harold returned to the Cabinet full of admiration for the Rhodesian leader. Harold said Smith was the quickest-witted debater he had ever been up against and it was amazing that this former flight licuten-ant with no real political back-ground, had such ability and

Throughout the period of the charies Sir Harold is portrayed as having an obsession with Cubinet leaks to the press, and an endless foud with the BEC. "He is obsessed with the BEC. and this and his obsession with leaks are his most outstanding

The Prime Minister's favourite dislikes, apparently, included hodies closer to home, among them the Labour Party national executive.

The diarist remarks in Sep-

" Harold tember, 1968 : becoming more and more a Lloyd George figure, detached from his party, feeling not much loyalty or affection for the organization but resenting the bloody nuisance it causes him. And yet he can afford to have these views because when-ever necessary he pulls it off." For all his light-footed political manoeuvring, the former Prime Minister is held in some disdain by the intellectual Mr Crossman. He notes in March, 1969: "He hasn't got any doc-

has the structure of moral Boy Scout. That is what differentiates him so profoundly from, say, Denis, Roy or my

The Prime Minister's outlook, Mr Crossman concludes, is composed of a "right and wrong attitude to life, this prissy vigour combined with an extraordinary power of self-decep-

By mid-1969, when Labour Government was latguishing in a flat term of uninspiring rule, Mr Crossman records the Prime Minister as being quite deflated. "For the first time since I have known

him. Harold was frightened and Continued on page 2, col 7

By George Clark
Political Correspondent Before the moment of truth comes, however, they hope to wring guarantees from the Government. They are calling for the establishment of Exchequer-backed development agencies for their regions on the lines of the agencies are

unemployment.

boundaries

ting the European applecart.

### Five South African troops and 61 guerrillas die in Namibia clash

From Ray Kennedy Johannesburg, Oct 29 Five South African soldiers

Five South African soldiers believed to be members of a crack reconnaissance unit, and 61 African guerrillas have been reported killed in a clash on the border between Angola and Namibia, South-West Africa. It is the most serious incident in the area since South Africa intervened in the Angolan civil war two years Angolan civil war two years

ago.
Defence Force headquarters in Pretoria named the five dead-a warrant officer, three sergeants and a corporal but, following usual procedure, gave no figures of any wounded. Nor were details given of exactly where the bat-

The statement said that last Thursday afternoon a South miles, and it is in this zone African patrol classied with a that the engagement obviously force of 80 guerrillas of the South-West African Peoples' It takes on extra significance Organization (Swapo) on the because of the pressure being

The action fluctuated back and forth across the border soil and Swapo's insistence and the South Africans came that it will not accept the under fire from what the state. Western independence initia-

ment described as a Swapo tive for Namibia base on the Angolan side, troops are removed. African reinforcements

day morning. It was confirmed that at least 61 guerrillas were

Sixteen South African soldiers have now been killed since July in what official com-muniqués describe as the operational area.

The South Africans have cleared a half-mile "no-30" strip along the entire length of the Ovambo and Kavango Bantustan borders with Angola for a distance of about 300 to 400

because of the pressure being put on South Africa to withdraw its troops from Namiblan soil and Swapo's insistence that it will not accept the

of a plot to have Mr Norman Scott killed, has been handed

over to detectives, together with

documents and four tape cas-

settes with recordings of tele-phone conversations Page 2

British Steel Corporation, which lost £200m in the first half of

the year, has called in union

leaders for talks on the critical

state of the industry's finances.

Unions fear draconian measures

are on the way to halt the mounting deficit Page 15

was imminent, the Government may be forced to let sterling

more up if the tide of foreign

funds into London continues unabsted. The official reserves

1m francs taken

Two raiders robbed the casino in Divome, France, of 1,222,100 francs (£143,700). They told the gar blers: "You are lucky, we are not taking hostages." One of the men threatened the customer in the statement of the statement of the customer in the statement of the s

tomers with a sub-machine gun.

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dependence took second place to industrial, agricultural and social questions in speeches at

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crisis talks

were sent in.

Fighting continued into the diers in day-long borner inght and the South Africans clashes today and also killed came under fire from two more 26 African guerrillas infiltrating into Rhodesia, the military command said in Salisbury command said in Salisbury

A communique said that at midnight Zambian troops using mortars, machine guns and small arms had begun "heavy artacks" on Rhodesian forces at Kazungula, who retaliated. There were no casualties on the Rhodesian side, but a Zambian ammunition dump was

apparently destroyed. Kazungula is on the Zambezi river where the borders of Rhodesia. Zambia, Botswana and Namibia meet.

The communique also said toops this morning intertroops cepted a guerrilla eroup which had just entered Rhodesia and killed 26. The Allitary Command declined to say where the engagement took

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### Kidnap victim's family urge abductors to end their silence

From Our Correspondent Amsterdam, Oct 30 The family of Mr Maurits Caransa, the kidnapped Dutch property millionaire, today

appealed to his kidnappers to make contact. In a statement nals using terrorist overtones to they said the various demands increase the effect of their made in anonymous telephone calls, mainly to newspapers, did

It is generally agreed that Mr not appear to be serious and to really come from the kidnap-Some 72 hours after Mr

Caransa's obduction there was still uncertainty as to whether the kidnopping was a purely criminal act or whether political motives were involved. Until there is concrete evi-

dence of such political motives the Dutch Covernment is letting the Amsterdam municipal police handle the investigation on the assumption that it is a purely criminal matter, although a special branch of the national police trained in investigating cases involving terrorism standing by to take over.

Caransa's abductors planned to demand a cash ransome and have been alarmed by press comments about terrorism. An alternative theory is that the

It is generally agreed that Mr Caransa, a popular, self-mode man whose family, with the ex-ception of a sister, died in Nazi concentration camps because they were Jewish, is an unlikely choice as a victim for a political kidnapping.

According to friends, Mr Caransa, who is 61, is in good physical condition. Blood traces found at the scene of his abduc-tion judicate that he resisted his kidnappers before being overpowered. Amsterdam.

police complained today that scores of "idiotic" telephone calls were hampering their

### French troops alerted 'for Sahara mission'

state of alert for possible inter already been flown out. The vention in Mauritania where a French Defence Ministry has number of French technicians dismissed such reports as "pure are being held prisoner by fantasy". Expulsion orders Saharan rebels. Sympathizers of have been served on eight Sahthe Saharan movement Polisario aran activists in France Page 4

West Germany, Dr Hanns-Martin Schleyer, the murdered industrialist, said that almost two weeks before his kidnapping he had made known to Herr Schmidt, the Chancellor, the concern of businessmen regarding security measures

## KGB blackmail

mail an American diplomat into working for the KGB. The diplomat, who was visiting Georgia, was told allegations of collabor-The pokesman declined to say whether the prelate would be allowed to remain in Israeliating with the Nazis would be made public unless he helped the KGB Page 5

#### Health charges plan decried

Suggestions by Mr Patrick Jenkin, Conservative spokesman on the social services, that hospital care should be paid for and that there should be in-creased prescription charges were described as "a policy for sheer disaster " by Mr Laurence Pavitt, MP, chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party's

### Day on Mustique Before ending her Caribbean home, the Queen has spent a private day with Princess Margaret on the island of Mustique. A planeload of press

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#### **Woman Labour MP dies at 54** By a Staff Reporter

Mrs Millie Miller, aged 54, Labour MP for Redbridge, liford, North, died on Saturday. She had been ill for some time but was politically active until a week ago.

Mrs Miller, who was on the left wing of the party, won her parliamentary seat in the gen-eral election of October, 1974, by a majority of 773 after a political career that included being mayor of both Stoke Newington and Camden. She leaves a widower, a son and a

opens on Thursday the Government will be in a nominal minority of 13.

Allowing for the backing it usually gets from two Irish MPs (Mr Fitt and Mr Maguire) and the two Scottish Labour Party MPs (Mr Sillars and Mr Robertson) the minority figure is five. But with the 13 Liberal votes still behing them, and four or five Ulster Unionists likely to abstain in any crucial vote, ministers are still able to contemplate a full parliamen-

tary session. Ilford, North. Her death means that when marginal and is likely to be won

the next session of Parliament by the Conservatives at a byelection if there is no electoral pact between the Liberals and Labour.

The seat had been held for the Conservatives since 1954 by Mr Tom Iremonger, who had a majority of only 295 in the general election in February 1974, after a boundary revision had transferred a Tory ward in main transferred a fory ward in neighbouring Wanstcad and Woodford. The figures in October, 1974, were: Mrs Milier (Lab), 20,621. Mr T. L. Iremonger (C), 19,843; Mr G. L. P. Wilson (L), 8,080; Lab maj, 778.

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#### Firemen's claim a severe test of pay curb there will be a strike some-The employers' side of the

calls for industrial action are

Mr Richard Foggie, the

union's assistant general secre-tary, said yesterday: "Unless

By Donald Macintyre Labour Reporter

The Government faces today what may prove to be the stiffest test of its pay policy in the public sector so far when talks begin in carnest on a claim by firemen for pay increases of

30 per cent. Fire Brigades Union negotia tors, who will argue for rises of £20 a week for qualified firemen, are under mounting pressure to authorize strikes if they are not granted.

#### New jubilee Although Treasury officials symphony were silent on weekend reports that revaluation of the pound

is not ready By Martin Huckerby Music Reporter

Malcolm Williamson, Master of the Queen's Music, has disclosed that his new symphony may not be ready in time for its planned world premiere before the Queen at the Ferrical Ball in London or the Festival Hall in London on December 8.

Although he was working hard to finish the symphony in

time. Mr Williamson said there was "every danger in the world that it will not be completed". The first of the four move-ments would be ready in about a week and the third movement was now ready to go off, he said, and he was going abroad Nevertheless, there must be fears that the premiere, due to be given by the London Philharmonic Orchestra under Bernard Haitink, may be affected in the same unwarts the ted in the same way as the premier of Mr Williamson's Mass of Christ the King. full orchestral score of the Mass was not finished in time, and so the first performance of the work at the Three Choirs Festival in August had to be given incomplete.

Mr Williamson has been com-

posing a series of large-scale works for the Queen's silver jubilee and has thus been under considerable pressure. The fourth symphony was commis-sioned for the jubilee by the London Philharmonic Orchestra, and Mr Williamson said the work was "a homage to her Majesty".

#### Track death

Mr Piers Weld-Forester, aged 31, a close friend of Prince Michael of Kent, died in hospital after falling from his motor cycle yesterday at the international motor cycle meeting at Brands Harch. He collided heavily with a barrier. Race report, page 10

national joint council is certain to limit its offer of annual where in the British fire service." increases to 10 per cent, as re-One option that the joint quired by government guide-lines. The offer will be put to council could discuss is an independent review of firemen's a national delegate conference of the union next Monday, and pay, similar to that established

for the police. Five brigades-Greater Manchester, Merseyside, Cheshire, Avon and Staffordshire—have reduced operations by refusing tary, said yesterday; "Unless to carry out routi we are given something subtive and training stantial on the table, I believe protection visits. to carry out routine administrative and training work and fire

# Just 300ft above London you can see a French star.

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# uez barred to nuclear submarine

Henry Stanhope ince Correspondent ne British nuclear-powered narine Dreadnought may

to postpone an important to Iran, because the Egyphave refused to allow it high the Suez Canal. the Royal Navy's oldest nu-powered attack sub-ine, was languishing in the literrarean while diplomats ondon and Cairo tried to

e trouble is that no nupowered vessel has yet allowed through the canal it was reopened two not sure what their policy

out its fate.

British rnment is trying to per-

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Catholics and Protes-

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party is preparing a

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g talks on a temporary

of devolution for the pro-

gh it meant sharing power

ist Party on Saturday.

Royal Navy's contingency plans are foolproof anyway.

Sources in London were trying to play down the matter last night, pointing out that the Anglo-Egyptian discussions were very amicable and that there was no question of a seven there was no question of a diplomatic row. But a Ministry of Defence spokesman admit-ted that the Dreadnought's programme was now being recon-

sidered because it has been -help up at the wrong end of the canal since Thursday. The affair is embarrassing for the Royal Navy, since they will be asked to explain how the vessel was allowed to sail

been guaranteed.
Dreadnought is due to visit

months tour to the Far East and Australia. The rest of the group, under command of Rear-Admiral

so far before Egyptian permis-sion to enter the canal had

Martin Wemyss, flag officer, Second Flotilla, have already gone along the canal and are now in the Red Sea. They, too, are due for a series of port visits in the Red Sea. Arabian Sea and the Gulf before taking part in a Central Treaty Organization maritime exercise the canal authorities the new Iranian naval base at Organization mariting there is no danger of Banda Abbas because the Shah in the Indian Ocean.

Dreadnought is one of seven

warships and four supply ves

sels which left Britain on Sco tember 5 for a seven-and-a-half

#### fficial Unionists ready to consider wer-sharing with Roman Catholics - Annabel Ferriman would include one or two representatives of the Social Democratic and Labour Party. elected assembly of 78 or Sharing power with the SDLP at that level would be quite different from sharing at

Cabinet level, because the assembly would probab; not be given responsibility for legistation on finance or security. He emphasized, however, that the party would not be willing to enter discussions about the scheme unless it had an assurance from Mr Mason, the Secretary of State, that it would eventually lead to full devolution for the province on a non-

power-sharing basis.

Mr West said his party
would not have a majority in Harry West, leader of party, the largest in ern Ireland, said yesterhat such an assembly an immediate election. In any future government it would probably be acceptable. probably be willing to enter a coalition with the non-sec-Roman Catholics. He tarian Alliance Party, but not it the inner council of with the SDLP, because the or eight would be made latter did not want Northern the province's different according to their Ireland to remain in the United this in the assembly, so it Kingdom. according to their

The party is also going to consider a scheme for an upper layer of local government consisting of three directly elected regional councils which would replace the regional boards responsible for education and libraries, and health and personal social services.

Most present members of the boards were nominated from Westminster, a system offensive to people in the province. Mr West said he would like to see them democratically elected. Power sharing backed: The Unionist Party of Northern Ireland, which was founded by

the late Lord Faulkner in 1974, reiterated on Saturday its support for power-sharing. Mrs Anne Dickson, a former Stor-mont Unionist MP and now leader of the party, said at its annual conference that power sharing was the only way do the rolved government North was going to be achieved.

Schleyer tape Newton cash Jerusalem, Oct. 30.—Israel made public aid today it was prepared to handed to police Archbishop Hilarion paid to Mr Andrew Newton by Liberal Party supporters as part Capucci, the former head of the Greek Catholic Church in Jeru-

# Protest over

America has protested to

# health sub-group

photographers followed in hot Page 5 Royal filly third The Queen's filly, Dunferm-French horses, Rex Magna and

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### Tory plan for changes in health service 'policy for disaster'

taken a significant step to tal? wards committing itself to radical changes in the National Health Service, including pay- dogmatically to the concept of

Patrick Jenkin, opposition stantially to reduce the burden spokesman on the social services, at a symposium in London on Saturday, if adopted as health costs?" official party policy will end health service.

Parliamentary Labour Party's contrary to the general assump-health sub-group, described them yesterday as "a policy for sheer disaster". for sheer disaster".

Mr Jenkin told the symposium, which was organized by was not short of doctors, nurses or hospital beds but money. On the last point Mr Pavitt certainly agreed

But Mr Jenkin observed that the prescription charge had not gone up since 1972, while inflation had halved its real value. He found it difficult to believe that people would to increased charges if they knew they were to provide for an improved service with better facilities and shorter

Or again, why is it that pov towards their keep in hospital are pensioners?" he cheerfully accepts the cost of food and heat and laundry. Is of getting more money from the it really so unthinkable that Government.

and airports have been

part in a half-day strike.

agreed in 1974.

structed by the Society of Civil and Public Servants to take

The society, representing middle to senior civil servants.

104,000 members on Tuesday

next week in protest against

the Government's refusal to re-

store a system of collective bargaining for the Civil Service

that while the present pay res-

traint continues civil servants

Ministers have made clear

calling for action by all its

The Conservative Party has keep when they are in hospi-

"With the hospitals unable to finance desperately needed improvements, must we cling ment for hospital care and in-creased prescription charges.

Suggestions made by Mr

dogmandany we have at the point of use? If, as Conserva-vives intend, we are able subof direct personal taxation, is it not reasonable to ask people to pay something towards their

On those issues the parties bipartisan agreement on the are clearly moving in opposite principle of a basically free directions. The Labour Party is still committed to its 1974 Mr Laurence Pavitt, MP for pledge to abolish prescription Breat, South, chairman of the charges. Mr Pavitt said that,

Charges for hospital patients would mean that those most in need of hospital services would the Conservative Medical be the least likely to get them, Society, that the health service and would result in the development of a first and second-class service. It would also mean a nurses or hospital beds but "tremendous increase" in the was simply running out of bureaucracy needed to deal with means tests for those claiming exemption, he said. Mr Pavitt also disagreed with Mr Jenkin's argument that at least part of the cost of the health service might be better transferred from general taxa-tion to a specific health insur-ance contribution, as was done

in many other countries. Mr Jenkin said that such an arrangement would not only give the health service greate independence from the Exche the only people who have to quer, but would also enable the public to see a closer connexion hospital are pensioners?" he between what they paid and continued. "If a patient is what they got. But Mr Pavitt nursed at home, the family said it would be cumbersome and irrelevant to the main issue

Half-day strike threat by customs men

Leading article, page 13 creases.

More than 8,000 customs and

excise and immigration officers may be affected by the strike call. They are expected to stop work between 1.30 pm and 5.30 pm to attend meetings.

Details of further action out-

side customs and excise will be released later this week, but

the public may be affected by the half-day closure of some health and social security

offices and the cancellation of

Mr Leslie Christie, the union's national officer for

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driving tests.

cannot expect to return to the customs and excise, said last

### 'Conspiracy' on pay, Mr Walker suggests

By Our Political

The Government the TUC and leaders of industry appear to be in a conspiracy to give the impression that all is well on wages, Mr Peter Walker, MP for Worcester and a former Secretary of State for Industry, told a meeting of the West Yorkshire Tory Reform

Group in Leeds yesterday.

"An economic euphoria is being created which will not stand up to objective examination", he asserted.

He foregast that average He forecast that average earnings would rise by at least

per cent this winter and probably by as much as a fifth.

Not quite a wage explosion, but a big enough bang to make sure that inflation drops to single figures for only a few months next year and then rises rapidly again, and unem-ployment with it." Mr Walker emphasized again

his view that Mr Callaghan will decide to hold a general "The only thing we can all be certain of is that the election date will be before the rise in

unemployment and prices takes place", he said. The Government's 10 per cent limit had become the minimum, and virtually no one had settled for less.

So-called self-financing pro-ductivity schemes were spread ing all over industry and nobody was monitoring them. "The bogus ones will slip through", Mr Walker said. Because the Government was running only a vague, informal incomes policy, it had no machinery to identify agreed

Throughout the country companies were massively increas-ing the salaries of their execarives, because where no union was involved there was no pub-licity on the size of the in-

The Civil and Public Ser-

vices Association, which has

230,000 members in lower

grades, is to pres the other Civil Service unions to take

part in a joint campaign against the Government's

A referendum of the associa-

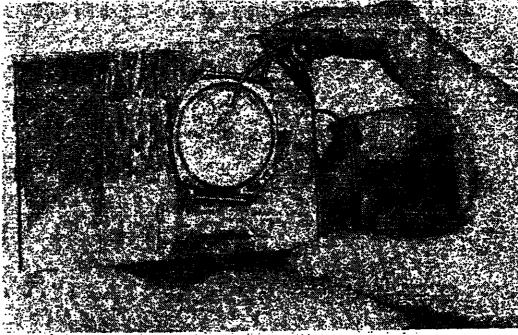
tion's membership is understood

to have strongly favoured postal balloting in elections of union officials.

Government's

By Our Labour Staff system of fixing salaries by night: "It will be up to Cus-Customs and excise officers comparison with equivalent toms and Excise in consul-in all the main British ports jobs outside the public service. ration with the airlines to decide whether simply to open the gates and let passengers through or to curtail inter-

> "There should be an inquiry to find out why meterials are ordered one day and scrapped the next."



IRA fire campaign: The Provisional IRA has taken to planting incendiary devices such as the cassette type shown here rather than explosive bombs, as it grows increasingly short of money (a Staff Reporter writes). Funds from America dropped to \$150,000 (about £84,000) this year, compared with \$600,000 five years ago, and the IRA is turning to cheaper methods. At least 40 fire bombs have been found in the past 10 days. One burnt out a shoe shop in Belfast on Friday; several more set light to an

hotel in Newtownards, 14 miles from Belfast. A further 15 were found on trains at Lisburn, Portadown and York Road station, Belfast. Police in Belfast are warning shopkeepers, publicans, hoteliers and cinema owners to search their premises regularly. Girls aged between 17 and 21 are believed to be mainly responsible for planting the devices, which are usually put in place in the late afternoon and are timed to ignite within 12 hours. Some of the cassette type, have been hidden in babies' clothing.

### Inquiry call on smashed car spares

An MP is to demand a government inquiry into new allegations by car workers, reported in The Sunday Times yesterday, that British Leyland is planning to scrap £2m of surplus car components next year. Last week it was reported that at the Speke plant, Liverpool. £1m of our-of-date components were smasked

Mrs Audrey Wise, Labour MP for Coventry, South-west, said it was outrageous. I shall certainly raise this in Parliament and call for an immediate and searching inquiry, she said.

Mr Patrick Evans, senior shop steward for the Transport and General Workers' Union at Leyland's service and parts depot at Horspath, near Oxford, said yesterday: "There are five men working eight hours every day scrapping items of every description

Peter Hazell, press officer for the service and parts division, said that the scrapping represented a waste of less than a fifth of 1 per cent, a wastage figure that any other manufacturer would envy.

### Labour concessions to Liberal allies

Legislation on industrial democracy, though not on the lines of the Bullock report, is high on the Liberals' list. Again they will be disappointed. Because of disagreements within the TUC and the Labour Party, and the hostility of the CBI the Government has abandoned the idea of comprehensive legisla-

But there will be a Bill to amend the Companies Acts to provide that company directors shall not only consider the interests of shareholders, but shall bear an equal responsibility to the employees of the firm; and also to allow companies to ex-periment with two-tier boards if

they wish.

Liberals also want promot action to amend the Official Secrets Act. Some, indeed, would make that a test of the Government's sincerity in con-sidering Liberal demands. Yet there again the Government will not oblige; because minis-ters and civil servants are bogged down in a dispute over which categories of information should continue to be protected he criminal sanctions. To appease the Liberals there will probably be the promise of a White Paper.

When the Grunwick dispute was at its height the Govern-ment indicated to the post office workers that there would be amending legislation to give them a limited right to strike, but the Liberals have refused to support such a measure and the idea has been dropped.

Signs of other concessions to the Liberals will be in referprofit-sharing schemes, and tougher action for the protecschemes, and tion of consumers and the control of monopolies.

figures in the Queen's Speech are:
Shippard workers' redundancy:
Generous payments to workers
made redundant under the redundant

percent in the season. It would attempt to close a loophole in the Education Act, 1944, which enables parents to keep their children away from school in order eventually to get

them accepted at their chosen school; but it would also impose greater obligations on local greater obligations on local education authorities to give parents in all areas a choice of schools. It would also extend mandatory grants to the 16-19

mandatory grants to the 16-19 age group.

Merchant shipping: An important Bill is expected covering safety and health at sea, discipline on board ship, the running of pflotage services, shipowners' liability to passengers and their luggage; and prevention of pollution from ships (A separate measure may be needed to deal with ingent matters relating to the offshore oil installations).

Cooperative agency: Based on the majority report of the working party set up to examine the sering up of such an agency, the Bill will take account of the Liberal Party's views. The agency, the meditor the performance of to monitor the performance of cooperatives and provide support for new cooperatives, would initially require government funds, estimated at £300,000 for

funds, estimated at £300,000 for the first three years. Company Law and fringe banks: A Bill is necessary to enable the United Kingdom to comply with the EEC directive on the formition and protection of company capital by the end of next year. The Government has also announced that if will take action on insider dealings and to remedy weaknesses in the law relating to loans to directors and the private interests of directors. interests of directors.

Transport: Wide-ranging pro-posals were outlined in a White Paper in June, covering public transport, the role of local authorities and road haulage. The Government is not proceeding with a Bill to make the wearing of sear belts compulsory, but action on the Blennerhassett committee on drink and driving is likely if there is parliamentary Northern Ireland: The law on

divorce and homosexuality is to be brought into line with that of England and Wales, and a new

Consumer safety: The proposed legislation will put a new duty on suppliers of goods not to sell products that are unsafe or a risk to health. It will seek to close loop-noles in the consumer protection Other legislation on the way,

which may not be mentioned in the Queen's Speech; concerns the transfer of the cost of sir-port security from the taxpayer to the civil aviation industry, with possibly a levy on arriving passengers of 80p a head; minor changes in the National Health Service; a public lending right for authors; and the reorganization of the electricity supply industry.

### Pilot in Scott affair hands over money

By Kenneth Gosling and Stewart Tendler

Mr Andrew Newton, the air for the sale of Mr Newton's line pilot who alleges he was story in book form or for a film he said he was doubtful porters to kill Mr Norman about a newspaper claim yester-by handing over to detectives a large sum of money which he alleges was part of the payment. Mr Robert Suffolk, his solici, secutions, began nearly two tor, said yesferday he under weeks ago when Mr Newton stood his client claimed the alleged he had been sent to kill money was paid to him after he Mr Scott. At a London press

in 1975.

The money and come documents were surrendered to the police with for mape cassenes last week wells Mr Newton was being interviewed by Avon and Somerser police at Bristol.

The documents add corrobora-

tion to Mr Newton's story. The recordings include conversa-tions with three people in six separate telephone calls and a fourth person is mentioned in the recordings. Mr Newton also gave the police a 24 page

Mr Suffolk said he expected the recordings would be studied by police experts in phonetics and voice prints. He said: "His statement and the tapes show a conspiracy—and one to Mr Newton left Bristol on

Saturday after several days of Saturday after several days of interviews with police officers, led by Chief Superintendent Michael Challes. He was taken to Bristol after flying to Heathrow airport, London, last Wednesday from South Africa.

Mr Suffolk said he did not several any further proceedings.

to Mr Newton. Mr Suffolk said negotiations were taking place for the sale of Mr Newton's

stood his client claimed the alleged he had been sent to sitt money was paid to him after he. Mr Scott. At a London press left prison in May, having conference last Thursday Mr served his sentence for a shoot. Thorpe, the former Liberth ing incident involving Mr Scott leader, denied knowledge of a ing incident involving Mr Scott leader, denied knowledge of a piot to kill Mr Scott and having in 1975. had a homosexual relationship with him. He did not know Mr

Newton, he said.

Mr Peter Bessell, a former. Liberal MP, said in California yesterday, that Mr Thorpe's statements at the press conference about the Scott affair were at variance with his own recollections. But, he added, he was coment to let things take their course "in the belief that ons of us will ultimately be vindi-

cated ' A call for an end to the long persecution Mr Thorpe has suffered was made by Mr Basil Goldstone, immediate past president of the Liberal Party. Opinion polls, he said, had shown that the reopening of the shown that the reopening of the affair had seriously affected support for the party.

"Unless the press can bring exact proof that Mr Thorpe has

all the time been lying, they should now cease to harry him" he said. Solicitor's claim: Mr Suffolk

row airport, London, last Wed solution's claum: Mr Surfolk said he did not expect any further proceedings against Mr Newton, who is staying with friends at an unstaying with friends at an unstaying the figure of £50,000. Copies of the tape-recordings does not frighten us." (and the statement were given Press Association reports).

### Harold was frightened, needing his friends'

night with industrial corres-pondents, and in spite of his not going well.

Mrs Castle was moved to say of the British ancien regime."

to him: "Why do you sit alone. There are a number of imporing No. 10 with Marcia and tant disclosures in the distress."

Gerald Kaufman and these all of which have already been minious? Why not be intimate tested a process that would. friends?" Mr Crossman makes one fur-

been by far his most successful theft occurring at fily mental visit to Washington, and quotes hospital. Cardiff, a full year

"You see"; Sir Harold said, the President obviously feels, the inferior intellectual capacity of the men surrounding him and he was impressed by the quality of the British Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary (Mr Michael Siewart)." Mr Crossman regards the remark as showing a fautastic degree of complacency in Harold Wilson."

Wilson and Crossman, so convinced of his intellectual superiority over the Prime Minister, reveals himself as an imperfect being. He confesses that having agreed to take the editorship of the New Statesman six months before telling for Harold or anyone else in the Cabinet, he thought he

would seek a peerage. But by the time he forsook politics for

unhappy, unsure of himself, needing his friends. The great india rubber, unbreakable, undependent of his own crumpled in his chair."

Part of the trouble, apparently, was that Sir Harold had about my tummy being too fat been drinking the previous and on the fact that this diary, night with industrial corress. pondents, and in spite of his enormously important to future decision to institute an imper historiaus, will probably be Cabiner" of ministers, it was regarded as the rather duling detailed history of the last days vy

minions? Why not be intimate terked, a process that would and have things out with your no have pleased Sir Harold. They include the dispute Mr Crossman makes one for the cabinet and the ther withering observation on office of the Registrar Central his party leader, in February, over statistical predictions by a 1970, on Sir Harold's resum the number of Commonwealths from a meeting with President tamigrants in Britain by 1986.

Nixon. He records the Prime the face that the Ministry of the control of the cruelty and been by far his most successful their properties at the mental. in the News of the World; and ment of Mrs Castle's In Place

serious dispute Mr Crossman had ever seen in the Cabiner.
For all his self-doubts, Mr Crossman had cheered up con-derably by the prorogation of a Parliament in October, 1968, a 165021 when he was able to remark the dear I really any and irreversat independent old boy compared with our Estab-The Digries of a Carinet Minister

To be continued

#### Weather forecast and recordings £3.5m to clean stonework of Westminster

By Our Political Staff
The cost of The cost of cleaning and renovating stonework for the whole Palace of Westminster, which includes the two Houses of Parliament, would be about \$3.5m over three years, or \$4m over five years.

That information has been given by Mr. Marks, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Environment, to Mr. Greville Jamer, Labour MP for Leicester, West, who has been campaigning for the building to be cleaved. to be cleaned. Mr Marks told Mr Janner that

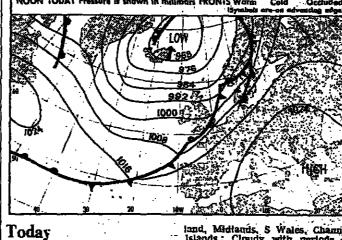
cleaning and restoration of the stonework of the palace would be discussed soon by his offi-cials and the Commons Services

#### Dispute traps holiday cars About a hundred cars were

stranded in the Channel Islands last night because the crew of the ferry Earl Godwin, who walked off in a pay dispute on their return from the Channel Islands to Weymouth on Saturday, refused to go back without a settlement over a proposed new service to the Channel Islands from Portsmouth.

#### Dutch held to draw in chess

The annual Anglo-Dutch chess contest, played at Elvetham Hall, Hartley Winney, ended in a draw, 10—10, or Chess Correspondent writes. The Netherlands was the first round, 53-43. In the second round, on Saturday, England, missing two grandmasters. Keens



Son sets: 4.36 pm Moon rises : Last quarter: November 4.
Lighting up: 5.6 pm to 6.24 am.
High water: London Bridge, 3.55
am, 7.0m (22.9ft); 4.14 pm, 7.0m
(22.9ft). Avonmonth, 5.13 am.
12.4m (40.7ft); 9.34 pm, 12.0m
(39.5ft). Dover, 12.56 am, 6.5m
(21.3ft); 1.14 pm, 6.5m (20.7ft).
Hull, 8.11 am, 6.8m (22.3ft); 8.20
pm, 6.9m (22.5ft). Liverpool.
1.9 am, 8.6m (28.3ft); 1.23 pm,
8.6m (28.4ft).

Pressure will be low to N of British Isles and a strong W to SW flow is expected over most parts. Porecasts for 6 am to midnight: London, East Anglia, SE, E England Cloudy with periods of rain, becoming brighter or clearer later; wind SW, strong to gale, moderating; max temp 13°C

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Island, Mantagus, 5 water, champer-Islands: Cloudy with periods of rain, becoming brighter though showery; wind SW, fresh or strong, but gate in places at first; max temp 12° or 13°C (54°C to 55°F)

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Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray, Firth : Sunny intervals and fresh or strong; max temp 10°C (50°F).

NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Sher-land: Scotly showers, bright-intervals: wind W, strong to-gale; max temp 9° or 10°C (48°, to 50°P). Outlook for tomorrow and

WEATHER REPORTS VESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair r, rain; s, sun; th, thunder.

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### Plaid Cymru escapes from dream of power

The reality of power coloured Plaid Cymru's four-day conference which ended yesterday, when rhetoric about the dream of independence took second place to the industrial, agricultural and social difficulries of the Principality.

With the party controlling councils and baving representation Stroog strong delegates' speeches re-flected working experience of local and national politics rather than the wisful hypoth-eses of a few years ago. The dream, of course remains and it was the party's president, Mr Gwynfor Evans, MP for Carmorthen, who reiterated the cultural, historic and linguistic ties that bind the condition forming the party.

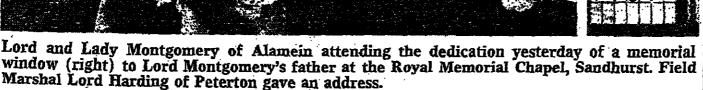
But it was significant that many speakers ar the rostrum were introduced as "council lor and they were concerned with first-hand experience of difficulties in housing unemployment, transport, education and industry.

That is partly because of the That is partly because of the reality of power and also an awareness that if the Party is to make real headway it must be attractive to the industrial south. Given that most ralley people could never bring themselves to vote Conservative, Plaid argues that it is the logical successor to replace "fifty years of wasted Labour rule". years of wasted Labour rule."
One striking omission from the agenda was the subject of devolution, a topic that has become pivotal to Welsh political life. The decision not to discuss it indicates Plaid's discain of government attempts to legislate more autonomy for the principality. the principality.

the principality.

Mr Dafvdd Elis Thomas, MP or Merioneth, said: "The ball is in the Government's court. If they are serious about a welsh assembly, let us see it. If they are not serious, they are revealed as coming the decimate once again on this dectorate once again on this







## Staff at three RSCPA homes in 'go-slow'

About twenty staff at three got to realize, and quickly, that of the homes oun by the Royal Society for the Prevention of the twentieth century. If they Crucky to Animals. Southbridge do not, I can see a total collapse Bar, Hertfordshire, South God- them", Mr John Hutchinson, stone home, Surrey, and Millbrook Animal Home, Chobham, of the Association of Scientific Surrey, are operating a "go slow" in support of a claim

for better pay and conditions. They are refusing to handle head office correspondence and gates for one hour each day.
This week the action could develop into a work-to-rule by the society's inspectors, who total more than two hundred. "The society is still living

we are now towards the end of Animal Home, near Potters of RSPCA services as we know chairman of the RSPCA branch Technical and Managerial Staffs, said.

He emphasized that the welfare of animals would not be

affected. The union is demanding a basic 40-hour week, with over-time payments for RSPCA staff. An RSPCA inspector earns a maximum of about £3,000 a year. According to Mr Hutchinson, an inspector works in the Victorian era. But it has at least 70 to 80 hours a week.

### BBC to extend news gathering techniques

Electronic news gathering techniques employed by BBC relevision in the past two weeks will be extended to Edinburgh and other regional

Delegates to the Royal Tele-vision Society's "Lightweight revolution" symposium were told in Birmingham last week that the extension depended on an assessment made at the end of the BBC's 12-month experi-ment in ENG (electronic news gachering).

gamering).
There will be no sudden change to the new techniques, as has happened in the United States. Some concern was expressed at the symposium about the effect of ENG in other areas, such as documentanes and drama.

Sir Geoffrey Cox, former editor of Independent Televi-sion News, said: "Everybody in the news world believes this is a marveklous new took one we must use in association with film. certainly in the short run. But there are some reservations about it we have not yet fully debated."

ENG enables film of au event to appear very quickly on the television screen, but Sir Geoffrey warned his audience against "hurling great chunks of actuality on the screen.

Careful editing was as important in news reports as in an imaginative or artistic operation; he said.

Mr Robin Scott, deputy match that. Sir Geoffrey Coxmanaging director of BBC pointed out the risks of using Television, said total investment on the first ENG installation was £140,000. A follow-up destroyed or damaged.

#### Driver's dim view Mersey station opens A Suffolk motorist whose car

Another link in the 136m loop-line extension to the Mersey Railway, running headlights failed on Saturday Mersey smashed his windscreen and beneath central Liverpool, came both headlamps and jumped on into operation yesterday with the opening of the new underthe bonnet. Police arrived as he was attempting to wrench ground Lime Street station.

neighbours unit would be cheaper, at £80,000. The process, he felt, should be evolutionary rather

Moreover, the new equip-

ment was not good enough for drama, he added. The men

who designed the new cameras

had less distortion than any other. "I do not want it", Mc O'Riordan said. "It is for the amateur and not for the pro-

fessional."

"It is like saying to a painter: 'Here you are, we have invented this new paint brush. It can do thick or thin linesnot the very thinnest, but it does practically all the lines you could ever want. You can get rid of all those dirty old brushes you use now."

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ENG is firmly established, however. The Columbia Broadcasting System in America will have 25 of the new cameras by the end of the year and 73 of the new systems by 1980. But Britain will nor be able to match that. Sir Geoffrey Cox mointed our the risks of using

was attempting to wrench

fessional."

would say that the new lenses

campaign than revolutionary.
Mr Shaun O'Riordan, a tele-By Our Social Services vision drama director, argued against putting all the electronic eggs in the same light-Correspondent

A guide to street warden schemes is published today by Age Concern to support the Drama was unlikely to be much affected, he said. If it relaunching of the Good Neighwas, however, it would mean the end of electronic story-tellbour Campaign started a year ago by Mr Ennals, Secretary of ing, except at a very basic State for Social Services. level, such as the cheaper soap-operas. No one, in designing and purchasing the new elec-tronic systems, had asked the director what he needed most. Mr Ennals will chair garional conference in London

Relaunch of

good

comorrow to renew the campaign. He is expected to urge people to extend their activities to help families as well as the elderly or disabled.

The new guide reflects the broadening of the scheme. It sets out basic information on how to set up schemes both to keep an eye on elderly people locally, whether at risk or not, and keep watch on all people at risk, whatever their age. But the emphasis remains largely on elderly people who may lack basic human contact.

"The cutbacks in basic prac tical social services are hitting old people hard", Mr Gordon Lishman, head of fieldwork for Age Concern and chairman of Mr Ennals's good neighbour campaign working party on principles of good practice,

By a reduction in the num-ber of hours worked by home helps and in the numbers employed elderly people being left without the basic minimum of care.

The guide suggests that volunteers get in touch with milkmen, postmen and care-takers to join together and help their neighbours. It emphasizes that elderly people can also be active as good neighbours and should not be seen only as recipients of a street warden scheme.

Street Warden Schemes 1Age Concern, Bernard Sunley\_House, 60 Pitcairn Road, Mitcham, Sur-rey CR4 3LL, 25p;

#### are still open and these avenues are the possibility of case to be answered, Mr brian Spoor, solicitor acting on behalf of the Police Federation, says: "My clients feel as much disquiet as anyone else over what has been happening in this case." a private prosecution, a civil action or to apply for a reopening of the inquest. I cannot support the claims for an induiry which the Home Secre-tary has already turned down."

Inquiry call on death

of arrested man

public inquiry should be

held to clear the air over the case of a former boxing coach who died after being arrested by police, a solicitor for the Police Federation says in a solicitor programme to be

television programme to be screened in the North-east

Mr Liddle Towers, aged 39,

an electrician, died three weeks

after his arrest outside a night club in Birtley, co Durham, in January, 1976. A verdict of justifiable homicide was re-

in the Tyne Tees Television

documentary, Liddle Towers, a case to be answered, Mr Brian

turned at the inquest.

Britain may no longer be in ie van of the women's liberaomote the feminist cause. itain led the field in granting omen rights in the nineteenth ntury and the suffragette ovement was the largest in

Mr Richard Evans, author of the Feminists, who is a lecest Anglia University, traces corigins of the feminist exement to the ideas of the propern Enlightenment. The st important book on the sub-It was written in 1794 by the yor of the East Prussian on of Königsberg, who argued were naturally re peaceful and generous n men and should therefore placed on juries and in ces of state. The French eminism with the foundation

Britain led the field in women's rights of several women's clubs by the inspired the birth of feminist

Mr Evans sees the other big many and Finland.

Britain's first feminist organl influence on the development of the women's movement as rer in European studies at moral guardians of society. The involvement of women in cru-sades against prostitution and temperance led to demands for

that a public inquiry would clear the air and be of no harm to them." Mr Spoor adds that he is unhappy about the "justi-fiable homicide" verdict and some aspects of the coroner's

Summing up for the jury.

Mr David Gray, a solicitor
and a member of the Liddle
Towers Action Committee, re-

jects the idea of reopening the inquest and calls for a public

Also in the programme, Mr Stanley Bailey, Chief Con-stable of Northumbria, stands by his decision not to start dis-

ciplinary proceedings. He says: "A number of avenues

zation was founded in 1855, when the Society for the Employment of Women was

militant campaigns uttragettes, that women The Feminists by Richard J. Evans (Croom Heim, 58.95).

### Iore research is urged ito community activity

a Staff Reporter ore research into aspects of munity involvement is advod by the author of a direc-of 269 such projects, pubd by the Volunteer Centre, le report, written by Dr ta Leat, research officer for centre, lists projects relation civil liberties, the inviront, welfare rights and hous-community health centres,

tey include such topics as effect of a community news-r, parental involvement in ary schools, the benefits of ing elderly people near relatives, and systems of in Orkney.

help groups and neighbour-

e directory shows a marked ase in projects over the three years, but Dr Leat ludes: "For every project lone could probably think lift a dozen that might usebe undertaken.

No do not suggest more irch for the sake of more erch. But in this complex many of the new and ng developments in ing developments in ice are not fully recorded evaluated. Moreover the where over-and opinion

Coach crash injures 29

Twenty-nine people, including three children, were injured yesterday when a coach in which they were homeward bound from a trip to see the Blackpool illuminations overturned at Billockby, Norfolk.

The injured were taken to hospitals at Great Yarmouth and Norwich. Four adults and the three children were the three children were detained.

#### **Education advice** body to end

The National Advisory Council on Education for Industry and Commerce is to be wound up at the end of December after nearly 30 years.

Mrs Williams, Secretary of
State for Education and Science, has written to the council say-ing that she might decide to set up a new and smaller advis-

#### ory body. Policeman hurt in car chase

the role of volunteers in law centres and on the unpopular stigmatized groups like the blind, the deaf and the mentally ill. Research is scattered between institutions all over the country, and the opportunities for researchers to come together are few and far between. "That is why we produced Police Constable Kenneth Faulds was taken to hospital in Liverpool after a high-speed chase early yesterday involving a stolen car. Six cars crashed during the chase. "That is why we produced this directory, and why we are holding a conference on research in this area in December."

#### Science report

### Genetics: Selection in fieldmice

differences in the genetic up of animals may make big mes to their ability to surthe wild. Recept research A. J. Leigh Brown, of ter University suggests that etic difference affecting a ensyme may enable some ke to cope with food short-etier than others, and may o explain the widespread ince of enzyme variants, in a well as in wild animals. eigh Brown's investigations eigh Brown's investigations with a study of the genedics intal population of long-mice living in a wood in rishire. From samples of miner population he was discover three different variants of a single envertee in question is The enzyme in question is ordincomutate, known as and is part of a chain of s that release glucose from in the tissues into the

eam. upplies dwindled in the he proportion of mice with ticular variant of the en-

ryme (the A variant) increased. That meant that mice with other enzyme variants were either migrating out of the area or dying. Migration is unusual in declining populations, so Dr Leigh Brown pursued the alternative possibility, that the A variant of PGM was increasing the ability of the mice to survive.

To test that idea, he compared

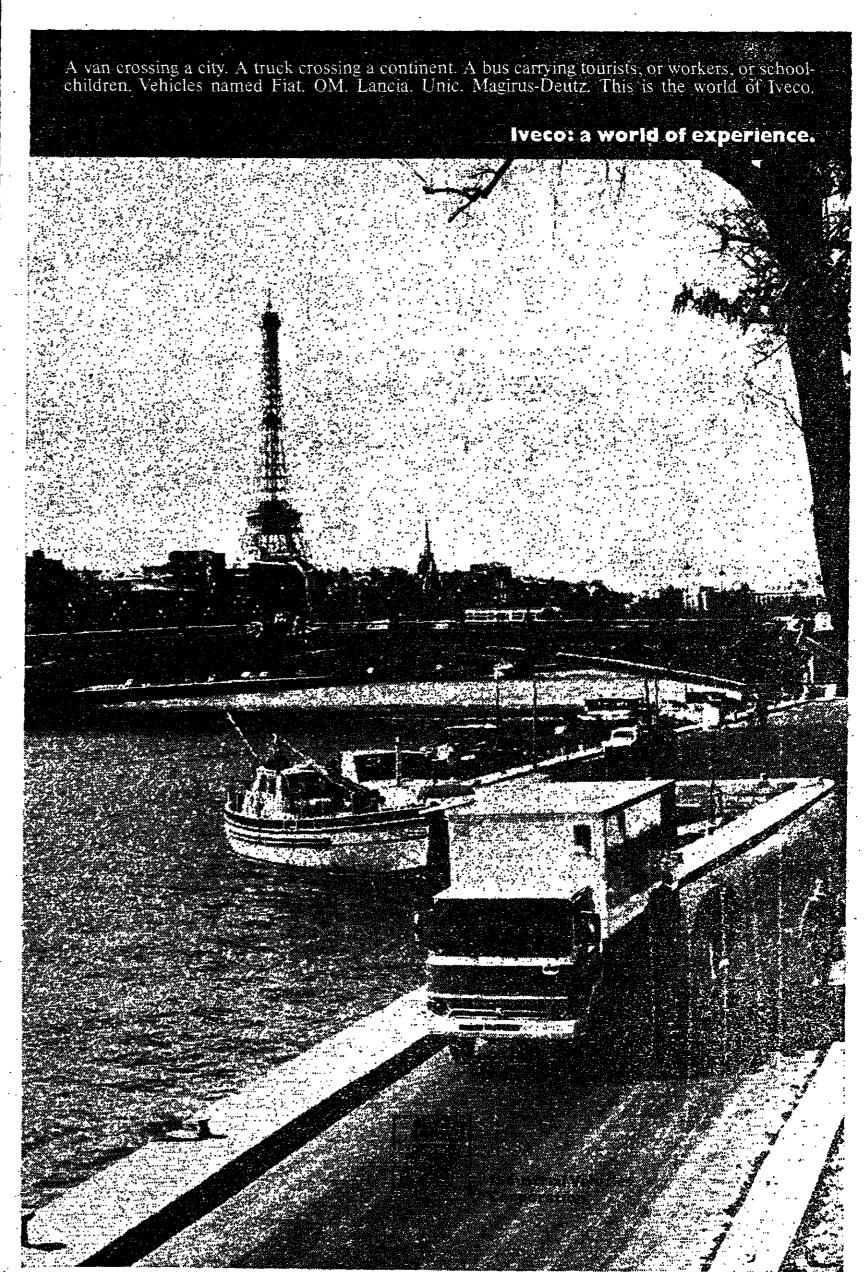
was increasing the ability of the mice to survive.

To test that idea, he compared the response to fasting of captured wild mice carrying the different enzyme variants. He found that those wift the A variant released glucose into the bluodstream significantly faster than the others. Efficiency in releasing energy from storage might be a considerable advantage to a wild mouse dependent on scattered food sources, and Dr Leigh Brown believes that may be why the A variant of the enzyme becomes predominant in the population in winter. In other conditions it is quite possible that other variants have an advantage, and in changing conditions several different variants of an enzyme may be maintained in a population by changing selective pressures.

Many enzymes in all species show minor variations, and evolutionary biologists have argued inconclusively about their significance. Some insist that each rariant must confer some physiological advantage on the animal confers believe that such variants can arise and persist entirely by chance. Laboratory tests on different enzymes cannot always ferent enzymes cannot always suggest what advantages they may carry. Dr. Leigh Brown believes that studies such as his, on wild unimals subject to the pressures of varying circumstances, may provide a better approach to that

By Nature-Times News Service. Source: London Nature, Journal of Zoology, (16Z, 281; 1977) and October 27 (269, 803;

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on movement but according to book receasily published, in Protestantism, despite the hostility towards females displayed as the first country to develop a ideology and organization to by the early reformers in such

works as John Knox's cele-brated First Blast of The Trum-pet Against the Monstrous Regiment of Women. Religious revival in late-eighteenth-century Europe and America pro-moted the idea that women had a prominent role to play as

The man who did most to promote women's liberation in the nineteenth century was John Swart Mill. His Essay on the Subjection of Women, published in 1869, which called for the abolition of legal restric-tions on women's rights, be-came the feminist Bible. It was translated into almost every European language and directly

search to ensure a greater knowledge of community in-volvement projects, and to look at definitions of success and

failure and to explode some of the "accepted platitudes". Her suggestions for research include a study of the relationship be-

tween the professional social worker and the volunteer. The register was compiled

the register was compiled from questionnaires sent to 1,418 bodies, including polytechnics, universities, voluntary organizations, community health councils and social service departments. She says:

"As one would expect, there is

quite a lot of research on the needs of the elderly and on

"But as far as we know there is very little on, for example, the role of volunteers in law

established out of a committee that had petitioned for a mar ried women's property Act. The women's suffrage movement began 11 years later, when a petition organized by Mill and signed by 1,499 women, demandring the vote, was presented to Parliement. The failure of the petition led to the formation of the National Society for Women's Suffrage. In 1870 a female suffrage Bill passed the House of Commons

with a majority of 33, but it was not until 1918, after the suffragettes, that women obtained the vote in Britain. By then the feminists of New Zealand, Australia, Finland, Norway, Denmark, Iceland and Russia had beaten them to it. 37 Panton Street, London SW1 Y 4EW

### Trial run for change in egg grading By Hugh Clayton Ministers and traders fear

that the change to "numerical European" eggs will be seen, like decimalization and metrication, as a smokescreen behind which prices can be raised surreptitiously. The egg change will be more complicated than the other two as none of the European metric grades corresponds exactly to any of the traditional British ones.

The Government has postponed implementing that part of the EEC egg rules until the last possible moment. The dead-line for such changes is New Year's Eve and the new egg

system will become law in Britain on New Year's Day. The Eggs Authority has printed thousands of leaflets and pocket-size cards to help grocers and shoppers to understand the new system. There are ar present five British grades, based on ounce weights, of which three, large, standard and medium, are sold in shops.

There are seven numerical take into account current demand for particular sizes."

weights, of which six may be sold in shops. In this country boxes containing them will be given different colours and the industry has decided to start a running in period from November 14, when old and new weights may be sold together.

Goldeniay, the largest egg marketing organization, will operate the new system imme-diately after that date. Mr Peter Kemp, managing director, said: There has been a capital cost to packers, but it will not necessarily be reflected in the market because the market is governed by supply and demand."

In the first week Goldenlay would base its prices for the new weights on those for the old and adjust prices after that according to relative demands for the new sizes. Mr Denis Cummings, chief

executive of the Eggs Authority, said that the present weights converted the new for pricing purposes by expressing the present price a dozen in kilograms and then converting back to dozens in gram weights according to the proportion likely to ing to the proportion likely to he sold in each metric weight-

"I think that could be too

### Hopes of better soya bean crop in two years

soya bean crop grown in were close to the ground. Britain was completed on an "Last year and the year be-Britain was completed on an

sova import bill this year. At a disappointing eight hundred-weight an acre the total will be about five tons, compared with the two million tons imported yearly, mainly from the United

Mr Green, however, is not discouraged. He said that it had been a bad year for sun-

Harvesting of the biggest cause most of the bean pods copenhagen, Oct 30 Mr Kjeld Olesen, the Danish

Essex farm at the weekend.

Eut the yield from 12 acres on Mr Brian Green's land at Willingale will not make much of a dent in Britzin's £200m Mr Green said he would great in the year before it would have been a successful crop with much higher yields", he said. "I think we have had enough encourage ment to try again."

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grow wheat on the land next year, to benefit from the nitrogen put into the soil by the beans, and soya again in 1979. A hundred acres of a Russian rival to the soya bean, a hite, edible lupin developed by Soviet plant scientists, which

more adapted to Britain's climate than the soya, has just been harvested on about a same, the crop was sown late, dozen farms in south-east and harvesting was difficult be-

#### Police outside London 4.8pc below strength

The average weekly cost of selary, national insurance coniribetion and rent allowance for a police officer outside Lonoon is 19D according to figures jublished today by the Char-tered institute of Public Finance and Accountancy.
The institute estimates that

62.005 of the 84.974 policemen outside the Metropolitan Police rrea receive rent allowances. The maximum allowance varies from £1,035 a year in Surrey in 1571 in Derby.
Overall figures show that the

strength of police forces out-side London on March 31, 1977, was 95.2 per cent of the establishment authorized by the Home Office. West Marcia is the best staffed force, with an estimated strength of 102 per cent of the authorized estab-lishment, and West Midlands is the worst staffed, with only

91.8 per cent.
The institute's statistics show that known offences rose by 0.9 rer cent in 1976, and the numbet of offences cleared up fell by 0.1 per cent. Derby had the er satest increase in crime, with a rise in known offences of 11 per cent. Gwent had the grentest decrease, with a fall nf 11.8 per cent.

Police Force and Regional Crime Squid Estimates (Chartered Icartone of Public Finance and Accountancy, 1 Buckingham Place, London, SW1, E3).

#### Power cuts warning

Power blackouts are likely Britain during morning and evening peak hours today, the Electricity Council said last night. Power station workers are taking unofficial action to support their ciaim for fringe benefits.

#### Homes offer extended

The Greater London Council lowered the qualifying period for a discount on council homes sales from 10 years' continuous residence as a GLC tenant to two years.

### In brief

#### Singer is late for concert

Rod McKuen, the American singer and composer, arrived an hour and a half late for the first of two concerts at the Royal Exchange, Manchester, last night. After an hour the management returned £1.000 in ticket money and a belated performance was given free.

A fog of confusion seems likely to keep the aircraft grounded for some time. The The second concern due to start at 8 pm, was delayed. The management said Mr McKuen British attitude appears to be that the 1952 agreement obliges Denmark to grant an operating permit for the pro-posed British Midland route arrived late from London.

Boy's bravery award Pesmond Gale, aged 14, of Orcheston, Wultshire, was presented yesterday with the certificate for gallantry of the Lord Lieutenant of the county. When he was 12 the boy helped to carry a dangerous gas cylinder out of the village church; shortly afterwards the cylinder exploded.

#### Record flight

A British Caledonian Boeing 707 airliner yesterday cut an hour off the scheduled time for the 4.853-mile non-stop flight from Houston, Texas, to Gat-wick. It made the journey in 7hr 56 min 40sec, a record for the flight.

#### Miners' vote

The result of the miners' secret pithead bellot on a productivity deal is expected to be handed to union officials today, but the result is unlikely to be published until tomorrow, the Electoral Reform Society, said

#### Airport stoppage

Customs and immigration staff at Heathrow and Gatwick airports, London, are to hold a four-hour stoppage on November 3 because of the Government's refusal to reintroduce a pay agreement signed

### French shock troops put on alert as pressure mounts for action to save Sahara rebels' prisoners

From Ian Murray

France's inter-service inter-vention force of 25,000 shock troops has been on a state of alert since last Thursday, when President Giscard d'Estaing held an emergency meeting to discuss the question of French nationals held prisoner by Polisario rebels in Mauritania.

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The Ministry of Defence here has been quick to point out that this force is always put on a state of alert when any problem arises affecting the interests of France or its allies. It is a routine measure which can be taken on the orders of the Minister of Defence alone. Nevertheless there has been

growing political pressure on the Government to send troops to Mauritania since the seizure last week of two more French technicians, apparently by the According to the Association

of Friends of the Saharan Republic, a Paris group of Polisario sympathizers, French troops have already been sent.
At a press conference yesterday they claimed that 1,600 men
had been flown out last Wednad been flown out last wed-nesday in 18 Transall trans-port aircraft. The first 800 had left an airbase near Toulouse for an unknown destination at 2 am.

Regiment of Marine Infantry, they said, and an hour later a further 800 men, this time of the 2nd Poreign Legion Parachute Regiment, took off. At about the same time two other Transalls with officers and NCOs of the 35th Parachute Artillery Regiment had flown

out of Tarbes.

Defence The immediately dimissed the state-ments made at the press conference as "pure fantasy" and made the point that the weapons the men were supposed to be carrying were not yet in use in the French Army. Nevertheless departure times of this kind do seem to have been given to these very units on that night.

If the troops have not been sent, such an action is still very much in the mind of President Giscard d'Estaing. Since the success of the German raid in Mogadishu to free the Lufthansa hostages, he has been forced to take account of mounting pressure for France to do something positive to rescue the six hostages held by Polisario since last May and now the two technicians who disappeared last week.

Among the intervention force on alert is a small unit of 80 volunteers who have been

in all kinds of warfare. They could be airborne within six hours of a decision to send troops to Mauritania.

Armed intervention to rescue the hostages would be all but impossible since nobody knows here where they are being held. However, sending troops to protect the 140 French technicians still working in Mauritenia is, another matter and it would lessen the call to pull all French nationals out of the area—which is exactly what Polisario wants.

For the present, the Government appears to be doing no more than keeping up the diplomatic pressure. Expulsion orders against eight Saharan activists have been issued, and five of these left France yester-

Algiers, Oct 30.-The French Ambassador called on President Boumedienne today to hand him a message from President Giscard d'Estaing regarding the situation in former Spanish

Schara.

Earlier in the day the ambassadors of the United States.

Britain, the Soviet Union and China were summoned to the Algerian Foreign Ministry to be informed about "threats of intervention" in Western Sahara.—UPI and Agence

### Schleyer tape starts Bonn row

Bonn, Oct 30.-A political -13 days before the kidnaprow erupted today over reports of a tape recording in which Dr Hanns-Martin Schleyer, the murdered industrialist, said that almost two weeks before his kidnapping he had relayed to Herr Schmidt, the Chancellor, the deep concern of West German businessmen over security

The newspaper Welt am Sonntag published a transcript of the tape which Dr Schleyer sent to Dr Helmut Kohl, the Christian Democratic opposition leader, a week after being kid-napped in Cologne on Septem-

Dr Kohl told reporters in Munich that he had received the tape and passed it on to the Government, which at the time was embroiled in negotiations to win Dr Schlever's freedom from his abductors. .

Dr Schleyer was quoted by Wels on Somtag as saying he told Herr Schmidt on August 23

Danish call

air pact with

Minister of Transport, called

today for a revision of the 1952 air services agreement between Britain and Denmark. This followed the British auth-

orities' order to the Scandina-vian airline SAS to stop flying the routes Copenhagen-Man-chester Dubin and Copenha-

gen-Stavanger-Glasgow.
The cancellations were a form of retaliation after the

Danish authorities 'last week

refused a request from British

Midland Airways to open a route from Birmingham to

Copenhagen.
Mr Olesen said today that
British Midland's application

had been turned down earlier, but in spite of this the airline

had continued its preparations

and then submitted a new request, which was also rejected at the last minute.

Inauguration preparations had continued and the first flight

was due to take place to-

of doing business and I and my Government refuse to bow

to that sort of pressure", Mr Olesen said today. As he saw it, SAS had no choice but to tell its clients that the two

routes could not be flown until

the agreement could be revised.

just as the two (or in some interpretations three) SAS

routes operate under temporary operating permits. Danish sources say that the application was validly retuined

because there is not enough

It is clear that the Scan-

dinavian airline opposes the presence of any new 3 itish

airline in Scandinaria.
Although both British Midiaad
and British Caledonian have
shown interest in routes to
Scandinavia, SAS has used its

influence to support British Airways as the only British air-line operating to Scandinavia.

US ends dispute

Paris, Oct 30.-The United

States has now paid its out-

states has now paid its out-standing contribution to Unesco, putting an end to the organization's immediate funan-cial problems. The American Government had been holding up its contributions in recent years because of Unesco motions imposing sanctions against Israel.

Mr Esteban Torres, the new

United States representative at

Unesco, said that there was no

longer any dispute between his

Government and the organiza-

with Unesco

against Israel.

traffic

This is a very peculiar way

Madrid, Oct 30

The Carlist party held its first authorized congress since the death of General Franco here today in the presence of its leader, Prince Carlos Rugo de Borgó Parma, claimant to the Spanish there.

Prince Carlos Hugo, who has

Prince Carlos Hugo, who has just returned after nine years in exile, stated that he had not come back to "plant any dynastic problem but as a politician to fight for democracy in Spain". He and other members of his family were expelled in December, 1968, seven months before General Franco tramed Juan Carlos, a very distant coursin of Carlos Hugo, as his successor.

The prince's claim to the

The prince's claim to the

throne arises from the dispute over the succession to Fer-

of the Carlist family was then comparable to that of the

into service last year, 70 per cent of the aircraft have been taking off towards the west subjecting the densely popu-lated area of Montmorency to

a nearly constant daytime noise of 75 decibels. Until now nobody

has received any compensation for noise although the state did buy the property of 190 families

over the succession to Fer-dinand VII on his death in 1833. Ferdinand's brother wing section under Prince Carlos (from whom Prince Carlos Hugo which believes in

Carlos Hugo descends) claimed a socialist society with "autothe throne, but the crown passed to Ferdinand's control), and a small extreme daughter, Isabella. The position of the Carlist family was then Carlos Rugo's younger brother

"It is very emotional for up Montejurra, a mountain me to be back in my own near Pamplona, for their

Paris flight paths changed

From Our Own Correspondent at Goussainville, where the air-

Paris, Oct 30

New flight paths out of Charles de Gaude airport at Roissy have been agreed, redur-

fing the number of residents action in an effort to win com-affected by the worst of the noise from 110,000 to 16,000.

Since the Paris airport went the main flight path over the

to cut aircraft noise

Prince Sixto.

to revise

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ping-that the country's business community was deeply concerned about what it coninadequate security

"How bungling the security measures were was shown by the abduction on September 5. And the information I now possess about the undisturbed but easily discernible prepara-tions shows me how little the authorities really know about terrorism. You cannot rely on You must programme the computer through human brains if you expect correct decisions", Dr Schleyer was quoted as saying. Describing his abortive week-

long wait to be exchanged against 11 convicted terrorists as "the torturing of human beings" (Menschenquälerei), Dr Schleyer said: "After the Federal Criminal Office clearly failed in its precautionary measures . . and the Chancellor . . . also fails to make

a decision, it is now up to the Opposition to clear up the responsibilities." The existence of the tape was

first revealed yesterday in a speech by Herr Franz-Josef Strauss, leader of the opposition Christian Social Union.

The ruling Social Democratic Party (SPD) today condenned Herr Strauss's attempt to use the tape as an indicament of the Government. An SPD statement said this was "a questionable if not thoroughly unworthy venture". It added: "Everyone, even F. J. Strauss, must know and bear in mind how statements (like Dr Schleyer's) can be made in such a situa-

Geneva, Oct 30.—A secret donor has given 500,000 Swiss francs (£125,000) to the Swiss lawyer who acted as intermediary with Dr Schleyer's kidnappers. The lawyer wants to give the money back.—
Reuter and AP.

Prince Carlos Hugo speaking to the press on his return from exile.

Carlist claimant back in Spain

ourselves". There were three Carlist

wars in the last century and in the Spanish Civil War Carlist

the Spanish Civil War Carlist requestes, strong in Navarra, one of the Basque provinces, supported the Nationalists. They were fanatical Roman Catholics and fierce fighters. They hoped that when the war was over Franco would restore the mocarchy, abolished in 1931, with a Carlist.

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Nothing happened and later

Every May Carlists swarm

country", Prince Carlos Hugo annual religious and political told The Times before the congress started. He said that he wing gummen killed two was the last political leader to members of the Carlos Hugo

was the last pointed leader to return to Spain after Pranco's section and Prince Sixto, death because "the Francoist powers, which still exist, have always considered the Carlists as a threat. Four times we have been crushed in 150 years and each time we have rebuilt between the would also return whether he would also return.

that he had no relationship whatsoever with his younger brother and did not know whether he would also return

to Spain. The prince posed for the cameras wearing the tradi-tional red beret of the Carlist

party, slapping young members on the back, some of whom were wearing badges showing the prince's face.

The princes race.

The princes who is married to Princess Irene of Holland, said his party had four times as many activists as the ruling

Democratic Centre Union. The Carlists claim to have 25,000 activists and 150,000 members.

Their stronghold is in Navarra and there were delegates at the congress from as far afield

as the Canary and Balearic islands.

islands.

The prince, who is president of the party and "king of the Carlists", said he was prepared to work with other parties, not just of the left, in order to "avoid polarization into left and right".

**Explosion kills** 

man handling

protest bomb

Rome, Oct 30.—A man was family injured in Turin last

night when a bomb he was

side a garage that sells West

German cars, police said today.

Turin police believe two
people were involved, but
know of only one Rocco Surdone, who died four hours

after managing to get to hospi-tal with severe face injuries

German car concessions have been bombed in Italy in leftist

Dozens of garages with West

#### Hostage hint Mr Carter to propose as raiders curb on world sale rob casino of 1m francs

night two young raiders who got away with 1,222,000 French francs (£143,700) told gamblers at the Divonne casino:

You are lucky, we are not tak-

The casino, in a French spa complex, adjoining the Swiss

About 200 people were at the tables at 2.40 am yesterday when a window between the main hall and the staff quarters was flung open and two men wearing balaclava helmets sprang down on to the

machinegun, ordered everyone back against the walls. His companion, brandishing a revolver, jumped over a table to the cash desk. He was so fast that he struck his head

The cashiers did not argue. Bundles of notes were handed over and stuffed into a cauvas bag. With a final sweep of their guns the two men turned and ran, taking in their haste the door to the lavatories.

anyone moved and ran through another door leading to a roof terrace, fire escapes and wooded grounds at the rear of the building.

more cauliflowers Paris, Oct 30.—One hundred and twenty tonnes of cauliflowers were dumped on the rubbish rip at Chateau Renard,

From Alan McGregor

froncer, is among the three or four most profitable of the country's 150 such establish-ments. Its regular customers, including a number of Arabs come mainly from Geneva only nine males on the motorway.

it is another matter, of course. That is very difficult to address", he added. It was the first time that the President had disclosed that an initiative to control inter-national arms sales was in the Exclaiming "Mama, mama", one gambler dived under a table as the croupiers raised six months ago to restrict American sales of weapons unilaterally has been greeted

their arms. Another leapt out of a window, landing on the bonnet of a car off below. The thud aroused sleepy taxi drivers who rapidly removed their vehicles "to watch from a safe distance", as one said. One of the men, with a sub-

They were out again before

The police arrived 10 minutes later

#### Farmers destroy

Bonches du Rhône, over the weekend, bringing to 420 tonnes the amount destroyed the past week. The rest fetched prices equivalent o just over ip a lb.

# Service concluded, for example, that American arms sales continued to play "a very substantial role" in support of United States foreign policy and national security objectives. "Rather than being used as opened exceptional foreign policy implement (as President this was Carter had promised), US arms lives. Mr Gierek meets

of conventional arms

From Our Own Correspondent sales continue to occur on

table proposals to the Soviet also responded to growing Union for a limitation of con Jewish criticism of his Middle ventional arms sales round the Bast policy, particularly the world.

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President Carter is shortly to study maintained

Washington, Oct 30 -

Announcing this during an interview with American news-

paper columnists published this

weekend, Mr Carter conceded that the United States was prob-

ably the worst violator at this

time", followed by the Soviet

The French, British and Belgians also participated to some

degree in excessive arms sales, he said. "We all feel that it

should be cut back. How to do

with growing scepticism.

A recent study carried out by

Pay threat

by pilots

From Andrew Tarnewski

Congressional Research the Congressional Research Service concluded, for example,

His promise nearly

Union.

rather routine basis", the

In the interview Mr Carter

tianve as a major step for-

ward", the President said he

had never violated any commit-ments made to the Israelis either by his Administration or

irs predecessors.
The Soviet Union, he said, was now rating "a much more objective and fair and well-

balanced position." towards the Middle East and this angured

well for an eventual peace

In reply to a question about

international terrorism Mr. Carter confirmed that his Ad-

ministration had encouraged the

Somalis to coeperate with the West Germans in forcing the recent Lufthansa hijacking. His

Administration had also worked closely with Bonn by providing

the information it had about ter-

roust organizations. He welcomed the fact that

many countries, including the Soviet Union, were now "mov-

ing towards a more responsible

position in deploring and working against terrorism. He also implicitly criticized countries like Libra and Algeria which

opened their borders to hijackers on the ground that

A threat by Argentine airline pilots to resign en masse comorrow if their pay is not unproved has dramatized the most serious strike challenge yer faced by the military Government here.

About 346 of the 360 pilots working for the state airline. Aerolineas Argentinas are reported to have made the threat unless their pay is revised in accordance with a labour contract signed under the meeting lasted about two hours. They linked it with Mr Gierek's visit to Rome, due to begin on November 28, during which he is to be received by the Pope.
The sources added that the the previous Peronist govern-ment in 1973. Maintenance staff at the international airport are

staging two-hour, strikes per shift to demand a 45 per cent But the main strike action has come from railway workers throughout the country and inderground railmen in Buenos

Aires.

All underground lines have been halted here since yesterday despite an order from the state-owned company to go back to work or face instant dismissat without compensation

The underground men are reported to be demanding a minimum £115 a month in place reported to be demanding a Tel Aviv. Oct 30.—The West and minimum £115 a month in place mann Institute of Sciences to fithe £35 most of them now day awarded houorary doctor receive. The railwaymen ates to Marc Chagall and Sir returned to work today pending Harold Wilson. President a pay offer.

## Cardinal in Argentina

Warsaw, Oct 30.—Cardinal Wyszynski, the Primate of Poland, and Mr Gierek, the Polish, party leader, met officially for the first time here yesterday, and exchanged views on the most important questions of the nation and the church , the news agency PAP reported.

Government sources said that Government sources said that

two leaders were believed to have held a "general talk" without going into details of the church's demands for more freedom of action. resoun or action.

Church sources said that the meeting was held at the initiative of both sides and had heen under preparation for a long

Cardinal Wyszynski is to visit Rome in mid-November, and w lave an audience of the Popea-

Sir Harold honoured

#### General Zia goes in search of Islamic states' support United Arab Emirates and Afg. .:

From Our Correspondent 'slamabad, Oct 30

General Zia ul-Haq, the millitary ruler of Pakistan, left here for Kuwait today at the head of a strong military and civilian delegation to begin a brief tour of four Islamic states. From Kuwait he will go to Turkey, Jordan and Libys, ending the tour on November

the administration's policy of maintaining close contact with other Islamic states. Moreover, many Pakistanis work in the Middle East and north Africa. But General Zia's visit has added importance. He is said to aim at securing political support for his regime as well as much-needed assistance to overcome serious balance of

payment problems. He has already visited Iran twice and toured Saudi Arabia, the

hanistan
After the overthrow in July
of Mr Bhutto, the former
Prime Minister it was felt
here that these Middle East and African countries—impor-tant sources of aid to Pakistan tant sources of aid to Pakistan
in recent vears providing
almost half of its foreign
exchange requirements were
unhappy over political developments with the advent of military rule. General Zia said in
August that he had an plans
for foreign tours during his
interim regime. The tour fails partly under

interim regime.

However, his decision to call ons in conf. the October general elections; and new plans for short and middle-term economic de lilippines and middle term economic de principal velopment and reconstruction give the impression that mar velopment tial law will continue for a velopment tial law will continue for a velopment reasonably long period, require occurs political and economic contacts by marrial law with Pakistan's allies

### Damages for murdered girls' families Paris, Oct 30.—North Yemen said today it would pay damages to the tamilies of two French girls found murdered near Sana

The compensation offer was announced by the North Yemez announced by the North Yemez Embassy in Paris, which said Mile Veronique Troy, aged 26, and Mile Franca Scrivago, aged 22, were killed by marauders.

The girls' mutilated bodies were found on a lonely desert track near the North Yemen and the North Yemen an capital a few days after the assassination of President Ibra-him al-Hamdi and his brother on October 1.

An Embassy spokesman refused to comment on foreign-press reports that the four had been killed together by religious fenatics who objected to the with foreign women.

The French Foreign Ministry said yesterday it had no reason.

to doubt an official Yemen account that the girls were murdered by thieves.

The embassy spokesman said

North Yemen was ready to pay damages because it wanted to maintain friendly relations with France.-Reuter.

### Two killed by blast

Teheran, Oct 30 - Two people were killed and 11 in protests over the recent prison jured, four of them seriously deaths of three Baader Ment by an explosion and fire at hof terrorist leaders.—Retter. Abaden refinery today. jured, four of them seriously.

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pensamen. Into resulted in the decision this weekend to change the main flight path over the rural area known as "the plain of France". At the same time night flights of the Boeing 707, Caravelle and DC8 jets are

to be disallowed.

The relatively small number of people who will now be

affected by aircraft noise makes

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### Rift in guerrilla ranks casts gloom over Rhodesia peace plan

alliance and the deep dispute rations for Rhodesia's future, between military blacks and whites over Anglo-American serilement plans have provided a gloomy backdrop for fresh efforts rowards a Rhodesian peace starting in Dar es Salaam this week.

Field-Marshal Lord Carver, Britaio's Resident Commis-sioner-designate for Rhodesia, is due in the Tanzanian capital tomorrow for military talks with Mr Robert Mugabe and Mr Joshua Nkomo, the joint leaders of the Patriotic Front.

They are to be joined by General Prem Chand, United Nations representative for Rhodesia, who was holding talks with President Kaunda of Zambia in a remote game lodge today before flying on to Dar es Salaam.

The two negotiators plan to discuss key military aspects of Anglo-American settlement plans, including the mechanics of a ceasefire and the dispatch of United Nations troops to Rhodesia before it becomes

Bus Mr Nkomo, Mr Mugabe and Mr Ian Smirh, the Rhode-sian Prime Minister, all object to ceasefire talks before settle-ment arrangements are agreed. There is growing doubt in Lusaka about the Front's ability to negotiate under the strain of new tensions between its two leaders, occasioned by a dispute between them over the secret talks in Lusaka last month between President Kaunda and Mr Smith.

Cardina The Anglo-American peace plan calls for Mr Smith to surrender power to Lord Carver. The field-marshal could then run Rhodesia during a sixmonth transition to one-man, one-vote elections. The proposals are by far the most detailed to be presented in a

year of settlement efforts.

But the Patriotic Front is united in objecting to the pre-sence of United Nations troops, foreseen in the Western package as providing Lord Carver with support, and wants its own forces to police the transition to black majority rule.

From Our Correspondent

Nairobi, Oct 30

A. New Sunday newspaper,

The Nairobi Times, appeared here inday, selling at 2 shillings (15 p). It is edited and mainly owned by Mr Hilary

Ngweno, a Harvard-educated Kenyan of 39, who launched he news magazine Weekly Review in February 1975. He

emains editor-in-chief of the

-Veekly Review which is now

The Nairobi Times, a broad-

lagazine.

The newspaper's mixture of ews and features includes everal syndicated articles om The New York Times.

ayout and composition are of very high standard. Reports such local issues as public

ansport and low-cost housing,

The leading article refers to

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he Philippines

Manila, Oct 30.—President arcos of the Philippines, who s ruled by martial law for re years, said today he would

ld elections to a new par-fly-elected legislative body

President Marcos described

art He said they would

ablish the foundation of a

w political system peculiar the Philippines, under ich he would retain overrid

next May.

He announced this at the se of a two-day session of a promited Legislative Adviry Council. The council has the for elections next year d has urged the President to the people in a referent m on December 17 for lewed mandare.

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Nairobi, Oct 30

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Wgweno's company, Stellasope. Today's issue has 20 ages including an eight-page eckend review and a business ection plus a 32-page colour

Oct 30.—Sharp dif- own, white-led forces as a within Rhodesia's prerequisite for a settlement Front guerrilla that would conform to his aspidence described the deep discussion. Rhodesian

favours an internal settlement with what he considers moderate black leaders, bringing in Patriotic Front forces only under the command of his own generals. This, in turn, is rejected by the Front.

There are growing indi-cations here that the exiled nationalists, with some support from the "front line" states—
Zambia, Tanzania, Mozambique, Botswana and Angolawho are their main sponsors, want to scrap Anglo-American provisions for pre-independence elections.
In Dar es Salaam, Mr

Mugabe said today that the Patriotic Front did not accept the proposed role of Lord Carver. He said the Front had already told Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, of their objections

He told an airport press con-ference: "We have objected to the power structure proposed in the transitional period. Dr David Owen has our objections on his desk but we have not heard from him."

Meanwhile, in Lusaka, Mr Nkomo's Zimbabwe African People's Union (Zapu) todoy accused the British Conserva-tives of aiding the flow of mer-cenaries to Rhodesia and of helping to finance a black group sanctioned by the whire

governcent.

The Zimbabwe People's Voice, Zapu's official weekly publication, said Conservatives were helping the Rhodesian Government with the supply of "Military ware, oil, finance and military ware, oil, finance and military expertise including mercenaries."

Our Political Correspondent

writes: A Conservative Party spokesman in London said the claim was ludicrous. "The Conservative Party has neither the will nor the ability to aid the flow of mercenarios or to supply oil, finance or military expertise. Even to contemplate doing so would run counter to the attitude and actions of the party in and out of office in the last 15 years.

journalism.

gave it a sound start. The Nairobi Times appears when

Kenya is enjoying a boom resulting from high coffee prices. This should enable it to

overcome the inevitable early

For the past two years, Kenya has had only one Sunday newspaper, the Sunday Nation, published by the Nation group whose principal shareholder is the Aga Khan.

Kenya to sever

with Tanzania

From Our Correspondent
Nairobi, Oct 30.
Kenya confirmed this weekend that a ban on scheduled
flights between Kenya and
Tanzania will take effect on

Foreign airlines which have

provided the only air links be-tween the two countries since

East African Airways collapsed in January, will no longer be allowed to serve Kenya and Tanzania on she same flights.

Kenya is cutting this link in

Renya is cutting this link in an apparent attempt to get Tanzania to reopen its border with Kenya and to remove the ban on flights by Kenyan aircraft which it imposed in February after accusing Kenya of causing the collapse of East African Airways by withdrawing financial summer.

last air link

November

"The Conservative Party is Mr Smith objects strongly to anxious for a settlement accep-this idea and has emphasized table to all groups in Rhohis determination to retain his desia." New Sunday newspaper is

launched in Nairobi economic and social development do not always result in the willing disclosure of information.

The newspaper says that if convinced that it is in the greater public interest to inform the public it will "respectfully choose to differ with those an authority".

Mr Navana Market is any trouble, when the Opposition is ration against Mr Vere Bird, the Prime Minister, as he was delivering his speech of welcome to the royal couple.

Political rivalries in Antigua are among the most bitter in the Caribbean. The Opposition is convinced that Mr Bird, a veteral leader who lost office. order and the promotion of

Mr Ngweno worked as a journalist in Nairobi from 1963 to 1965. He returned to the United States as a fellow of to ensure that he is not beaten the Harvard Centre for Inter-

national Affairs, and came back to Kenya in 1970. He tried to make a carreer in film production before returning to The Weekly Review fortuitously appeared at a time of political crisis in Kenya, which passions are muted.

The purpose of the visits is not to cement the local loyalties to the Crown. The palace's attitude to its far-flung re-sponsibilities has long been

dot. The Prince and Miss Pamela South were exchanging

birthday presents in advance, as it were. Both of them will be 29 on November 14. Yesterday the Prince was flying on to

### A private day for the Queen on Mustique

From Michael Leapman Barbados, Oct 30

Barbados, Oct 30

The Queen, on the last lap
of her Caribbean tour, was
visiting her sister, Princess
Margaret, today on the private
island of Mustique, about 80
miles from here. She arrives in Barbados tomorrow afternoon, opens Parliament on Tuesday, and flies home by Concorde on

Farewell kiss: The Prince of

Wales ended his United States

tour by visiting the San Fran-

cisco Opera and kissing one of

the singers backstage after the

performance of Puccini's Turan-

Wednesday morning.
The visit to Mustique, where the Queen was staying for lunch and dinner, was a pri-vare one. A small planeload of press representatives, chiefly photographers, planned to be

there, however.

The Queen's advisers are already counting the Silver Jubilee Caribbean tour a success. It is hard, really, to see how it could have been other-wise. Visits of this nature automatically bring out thousands of West Indian children, smiling and waving Union Jacks, mak-

ing marvellous television.
Only in Antigua was there any trouble, when the Opposi-

for a few years but regained it last year, is employing dicta-torial and oppressive methods

It was legitimate for them to use the royal visit to press their complaints: It would be neither realistic nor desirable to have the Queen restrict her

visit to places where political

that the Queen is Head of State only at the pleasure and convenience of the natives.

She has no territorial ambition and would always be glad to bow out from any country that decides it does not want her, but the governments of most places where she is the monarch find it a great con-

the Somali's advance appeared to have stalled in the highlands east of Harer after their swift victories in late summer to take venience that she remains so, sparing them the difficulty and expense of selecting and main-taining a home-grown Head of most of the Ogaden desert.

Mogadishu, Oct 30.—Western
Somali guerrillas said yesterday
that their torces had killed
more than 100 Ethiopian soldiers in a battle between the State.
The prime benefit to the palace from these visits is with its constituents back in Britain, towns of Ginir and Goba on the where royal tours always get elaborate exposure on televi-

sion.
The BBC and Independent A report in Danab, the news-paper of the Western Somalia Liberation Front, said that Ethiopian troops had fied the area, leaving behind huge quan-tities of ammunition. Several armoured cars had been des-Television are planning long programmes around Christmas documenting all the Jubilee travels. These are sure to push up the Queen's rating several

It all helps to internationalize her image much the same consideration that motivates politicians when they embark

on foreign tours.

It is only a pity the selection of Caribbean territories visited has been a trifle quirkish. Barbados, with 250,000 inhabitants, is the largest country on the innerary. In the Virgin Islands, when the Queen had 250 people on the royal yacht for her farewell reception, she was entertaining one fortieth of the territory's population.

To have had a more substan-al island on the tour— amaica or Trinidad—would have improved its balance, but political considerations ruled

However, the fact that her engagements were fairly light has at least given the Queen the chance to make the tour a leisurely one, with plenty of stops for picnics and bathing. After a nectic year, she needed

### Two demonstrators die as Madras police open fire

From Richard Wigg Delhi, Oct 30

Two people were killed in Madras today when police opened fire in the second day of violent demonstrations against a visit by Mrs Gandhi to the southern Indian state of Tamil Nadu.

Yesterday the former Prime Minister escaped unburt when her motor procession was repeatedly stoned at Madurai, about 300 miles south of Madras. Two of her aides had to be taken to hospital. Her aides protected Mrs Gandhi by throwing blackers over her throwing blankers over her head as they crouched in the car. About 40 people were in-

Today's shooting in Madras ame at the end of a two-hour battle between about 5,000 demonstrators and police on the route of Mrs Gandhi's car. The protest had been The protest had been banned by the state Govern-ment after yesterday's vio-lence; but the demonstrators ignored police orders to dis-perse. The police responded with tear gas and charges and

the demonstrators threw stones from behind barricades. Tamil Nadu's Chief Minister

tonight ordered a judicial inquiry into the violence.
Mrs Gandhi had gone on a two-day speaking tour. It was intended to show Congress aders that she remains the party's most attractive personality, able to draw crowds in

southern India just as much a in the "Hindi Belt." But Mrs Gandhi ran into the strong resentment still felt hv followers of a local state party, the DMK, for ousning them from the Madras Government

early last year.

The demonstrators :arried black flags—the Indian equivalent of "go home" banners and shouted slogans about Mrs Gandhi's "fascist" activities during the emergency.

The State Government, which deftly switched allegi-ance to the Janata Party after last March's general election, today took into custody the former DMK Chief Minister when he sought to lead the

### lootball match ends in anti-Russian riot

nationalist and anti-Soviet gans at a football match led a riot recently in Vilnius. dissident sources i todav.

ars were overturned, police is were set on fire, windows e smashed and Soviet propada banners torn down. t morning troops armed automatic weapons pa-'led the streets.

dr Alexander Podrabinek, a lical auxiliary who speaks on human rights, told West-reporters that he recently ed Vilnius, where he gath-I details of the incident.

esidents told him the ble started at the match veen Zhalgiris of Vilnius Iskra of Smolensk, when ibers of the crowd began Russians go home" "Katsapy", a derogatory ating was heard in the live

Oct 30.—Shouting television broadcast of the list and anti-Soviet game before it was cut off a football match led "for technical reasons".

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When the game ended at gans", he said.

9 pm, about 15,000 spectators streamed out into the streets and some streamed out into the streets and some began overturning cars and ripping down propaganda banners which had been put up to mark the forthcom-ing sixtieth anniversary of the Russian Revolution, the residents said.

Militaamen. police and auxiliary policemen wied to control the rioring. When they made arrests, the crowd surged in to free the prisoners.

Mr Podrabinek said believed a number of people were taken to police stations but he could not say how many. He was told there was disturbance four another nights later but could not con-

Several nights later the Vil-

- nius

uania was annexed by Stalin in June, 1940. There have been several outbreaks of nationalist disorder since then, notably in 1956 after the Hungarian revolt and in May, 1972, when thousands of people rioted in the city of Kaunas.

That riot began after a 20year-old man incinerated himself for nationalist and religious reasons, sources said at time. Paragroops and policemen were used to restore

Eight persons, aged 17 to 25, were found guilty of causing a public disturbance and were given sentences of up to three years in prison. A ninth youth was sentenced to 10 years on a

#### Cowboy'ends 14-hour siege in Toronto bank

Toronto, Oct 30 .-- A man dressed in a cowboy outfit and armed with a rifle released all 26 hostages he had held for 14 hours in a bank here and surrendered to police early today. Paul Virtaneo, aged 23, gave up his rifle to the National Trust branch manager, who walked out with the last six hostages. A newspaper photographer called in to take pictures of the guaman de-scribed him as "a cowboy who waved his rifle in the air and

A dozen shots were fired during the siege to keep police at bay but Mr Harold Adamson, the Toronto police chief, who conducted telephone negotiations with the gunman, said no one had been injured.

joked about what was taking

Secret police accused of 'dirty smear'

### American protest to Russia over attempt to blackmail diplomat

the Soviet Union into working for Soviet intelligence has provoked a sharp procest from Washington.
A United States Note deliv-

ered to the Soviet authorities said that a man claiming to be a member of the KGB, the secret police, entered the hotel room of Mr Constantine War-variy in Soviet Georgia about 10 days ago, and accused him of collaborating with the Nazis in the Ukraine during the Second World War. The man threatened to make the accu-sations public unless the diplomar agreed to help the KGB. Mr Warvariv, a naturalised American aged 52, was visiting Georgia as deputy head of the American delegation to a Unesco conference. He is a member of the United States delegation to Unesco in Paris.

**Ethiopians** 

advance'

September.

'halt Šomali

Djibouri, Oct 30.—Ethiopian troops have halted the advance

by western Somali forces through eastern Ethiopia near

the Decata river about 30 miles

Diplomatic observers said that

western edge of the Ogaden

Danab repeated the accusations that there were 10,000 Cuban troops in Ethiopia, giv-

ing support to government forces.—Reuter.

Needless to say, his disclaimet did not impress the KGB man, who returned to the hotel room later with a colleague and a bundle of documents gue and a bundle of documents purporting to implicate him. The two KGB men remained in his hotel room for three hours until the early morn-

The American protest Note delivered later the same day escribed the incident as a blazant violation of the described the Venna convention on diplomatic relations, unacceptable harassment of a United States harassment of a United States diplomat and gross interference by the Soviet hosts speaking by telephone from with the proper activities of a the United States embassy United States delegate to a there, he said the Soviet allegations were intended to "cover un what they tried to do to me

From David Cross lived in the Ukraine during tions against Mr Warvariv. The Washington, Oct 30.

A bizarre and clumsy attempt to blackmail an American diplomat on assignment in an iota of truth in it."

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might never have come to light had it not been for an article published by the Soviet news agency Novosti. The article contended that the fact that a "Nazi criminal" held so high a post in the Carter Administration "clearly shows how much those who capitalize poli-

much those who capitalize politically on human rights care for them in reality " Paris, Oct 30.-Mr Warvaria

nesco conterence. He is a ference".

up what they tried to do to me tember of the United States
elegation to Unesco in Paris.

last week ignored the protest recruit me into the KGB".—
While conceding that he had and simply repeated the allega- Reuter.

### Vietnamese hijackers embarrass Singapore

Singapore, Oct 30.—The Singapore Government today faced the dilemma of what to do with four Vietnamese refugees who hijacked a Vietnamese refugees r mese airliner yesterday, killing two members of the crew and east of Harer, sources said in Djibouti at the weekend.
The Ethiopian forces still controlled both banks of the river, about hall-way between Harer and Jijiga, which has been in Somadi hands since mid-sentember. forcing the aircraft to fly to Singapore.

They shot and then stabbed to death the flight engineer and radio operator of the Air Vietnam DC3

The hijackers surrendered to the Singapore authorities last night after negotiating for five hours and finally releasing the 32 passengers and the other four members of the crew.

are being questioned, a govern-ment spokesman said. Vietnam has so far made no public statement on the hijacking, but is expected to ask for the return of the four men.

They are in police custody and

The aircraft flew back to Vietnam today with 31 pas-sengers and the two bodies, leaving behind the four hijackers one passenger who refused to return home and a wounded steward,

The spokesman repeated an official statement made last night that the hijackers would be treated in accordance with international law.

It is believed that the four are seeking political asylum in Singapore, but the murders on board the aircraft have apparently complicated the issue. Singapore has no extra-dition treaty with Vietnam. The pricraft was landing permission at Singa-pore's international airport, but was allowed to land at the Seletar military airfield, as it was running out of fuel.—

### Greek 'assassination plot'

From Our Correspondent Athens, Oct 30 Strict secucity measures were taken in Larisa after allegations of a plot to assassinate Mr Con-stantine Karamanhs, the Greek

Prime Minister, while he was addressing a campaign rally there today. The rally went off

The reports, published in the pro-Government daily Acropolis, said that a Greek businessman travelling abroad had intercepted by chance a telephone conversation in Greek suggesting a plot to murder "a politi-cal leader" while he was deliverying a baicony speech.

Prisoners of conscience



#### Bolivia: Julian Lopez Pablo

By David Watts

Continuing pressure Bolivian workers for improved standards of living have led to increased repression of the peasant class.

Senor Julian Lopez Pablo was a patient in the nealth centre in the village of San Pedro Perulapan a year ago when he was taken away by men identifying themselves as agents of the national police. They were accompanied by a village official of the paramili-tary organization Orden.

Orden is nominally a civic organization, headed by President Carlos Humberto Romero, but is said to work closely with the security forces in rural areas. The police took Senor Lopez Pablo from the village in an ambulance and be has since "disappeared". The authorities deny that he was ever detained.

The missing man is a member of the Union de Trabajadores del Campo and tne Federación de Campesinos Curtianos Salvadorenors. Both unions are in the vanguard of demands for agrarian reform, although agricultural trade unions have no legal status in a country where the majority of the land is owned by a number of wealthy families, and the peasants have little hope of advancement through acquisition of their own prop-

erry.
Pressure from landowners' associations led to the aban-donment of draft legislation the Government of furmer President Arturo Armando Molina in 1976. Since then peasant organizations have become

There has been increased squarting on unused land; and the increasingly vocal peasants have been met by a steady escalation of governmental vio-

lence.
Despite the denials of the authorties that Senor Lopez Pablo is in custody, it is believed that he is held in one of the National Guard headquarters buildings in San Sal-

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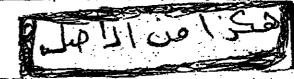
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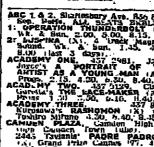
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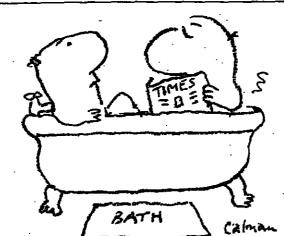
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#### THE ARTS

Svlvia Sass

lettas. Her conduct is likely to bring her into contact with the

raffish, the greedy and the dis-solute; and so, for all her beauty and her genuine love of Alfredo, she will not escape untarnished.

Lavelli's thesis is tenable enough, but he puts the total weight of the production on the shoulders of his soprano.

Alfredo should dominate the

opening of the second act, when he arrives for "Lunge da lei", according to Verdi, dressed in hunting clothes with his gun on his arm. Bignens's tragile love nest does not allow this. Renzo Casellato's stolidly middle area. A frende avecated

middle-aged Alfredo suggested neither the passion of the man

who hunts both game and ladies

nor the ardour of Alexandre Dumas's young lover. (Dumas

in La Dame aux camélias was drawing a self-portrait and he

would not have cared for Casellato's interpretation, which was dramatically dead

Similarly the set deprived Robert Massard of a command-

ing entry at the end of the

gaming scene. Germont senior only has a few minutes to establish his authority, and the entry was muffed, possibly

because of the limitations of the Salle Favart stage. But elsewhere Massard sang with

and vocally uneven.)

warmth and grace.

last. The opera was double carrand the flavour distinctly t Budapest was Violetta in the first tight and she alternated with the Romanian, Horiana Branisteanu, who was one of Glyndebourn'e Donna Annas this summer. Two other Balkan singers completed the second cast, Vasile Moldoveauu and Lejos Miller, but Miss Sass was joined by the veteran French baritone, Robert Massard, and the Iralian tenor, Renzo Casel-

lato.

At the opening performance
Bernard Lefort must have got
a fair indication of Parisian
taste and manners, if indeed
the needed one. Miss Sass quite rightly received an ovation, but others including the con-ductor, Michel Plasson, who brought his Toulouse Orchestra to Paris, and the production team of Jorge Lavelli and Max Bignens, got a noisy mixture of

boos and counter cheers.
Fruits of the Lavelli-Bignens partnership have already been described on this page: Faust and Pelléas at the Opéra and two thirds of a superb Ravel evening, L'Enfant et les sorti-leges and L'Heure espaynole. at La Scala. Traviata had ideas and a consistent thread runming through the staging at the Salle Favart, but it was less musical than the earlier productions.

Lavelii's view of Violetta is that she has been corrupted by society. A portrait on the front curtain, oval-shaped like the most famous painting of Alphonsine Duplessis, the original of the lady of the camellias, splits to reveal an ugly world. Bigueus has surrounded his stage with purple-red panelling which remains throughout the opera. It is as heavy and claustrophobic as the world surrounding Violetta which eventually kills her. The only relief comes through other printary colours, the red plush of the chairs and the green value of the card table. St Germain-en-Laye in the second act is a lacy, white cage

And there was, of course, Sylvia Sass who is developing set against the same back. Sylvia Sass who is developing ground, a temporary refuge into one of the finest Violettas from Paris. The final scene of the day. The opening was takes place in a sombre artic, which Lavelli has invaded by were forced to meet during the the chorus of maskers, who for Brindisi by walking towards once are not kept offistage. each other along the table They are Violetta's old firiends tops, Busby Berkeley style. from the opening scene, Alfredo, a shy and well whores with their hair piled brought up young man, would high as Toulouse Lautrec tarts, scarcely climb over the furni-

The Sleeping Beauty

An architect friend of mine

threatens to serve a dangerous structure nonce on Act III of the Royal Ballet's new Sleeping

Beauty, having observed that five arches at the back are sup-ported by only four pairs of

pillars. That sloppiness of detail is only too characteristic of the

production, which looks plaus-ible at first sight but will not

What are we to think of a court where the infant princess

is left exposed in her cradle to cold spring breezes on an open terrace, where the king and

queen stroll casually into their daughter's coming of age party completely unattended and al-

most unpoticed, and where the

princess's suitors effect their

entrance just as casually from

among the bushes where pre-

sumably they have been mak-

Westminster Cathedral

Sacred choral music played

more important part in Liszt's

musical life than ordinary musi-

cal people may suppose. Chris de Souza's Liszr Festival of Lon-

don has, in recent weeks, drawn attention to some of it (alas, St Elizabeth had to be cancelled) and on Friday the fes-

tival's principal events ended with a performance of Christus, the longest and most ambitious of those works.

Liszt compiled Christus at

leisure over nine years, some-times using anthological

times using anthological methods as did his Weimar pre-

Christus

William Mann

stand up to close attention.

Covent Garden

John Percival

ing themselves comfortable? I of the ballet demonstrated how suspect that Ninette de Valois was so preoccupied with getting. He makes the simple offering the steps right that either time of a hand in a formal pas de or inclination failed her in deux so expressive that no actually producing the baller. That sort of thing can eventu-

ally be put right, but I am afraid we shall just have to learn to live with David Walker's genteel designs, which set finicky dresses against vague backcloths. At some stage, however, somebody really must decide whether the prince is meant to be in the grand old style or the romantic new one. The present com-promise looks quite ludicrous, whereby he arrives dressed for one interpretation, then con-verts to the other by removing his coat while all the courtiers keep theirs on. Stephen Jeffries at Friday's

performance seemed in no doubt about how the part ought to be played. Although he danced the interpolated solo and duet in fine style, his bearing and manner in the rest

the B minor Mass. The com-

perison is not inept: of the 14

movements which comprise

Christus, seven represent Liszt

at his most cogently eloquent and inventive, and the whole

work is constructed with a cun-ning, and care for tension and

elaboration is needed. This is a classical performer in the best theatrical tradition; how exciting it would be one day to see him cast opposite Makarova, who also has the gift of making conventional dances look new-minted to tell a story. Unfortunately his Aurora, Ann Jenner, although light and lively, was altogether too brisk. Grandeur was missing also from Wayne Eagling's recent debut as the prince; his big solo was showy but eccentric and he revealed only three facial

expressions: depressed, puzzled or grinning.
Pippa Wilde is the best Lilac Pairy so far in this revival, but not yet very authoritative. Stephen Beagley, new as the bluebird, started well but lacked stamina. Neither he nor lacked stamina. Julian Hosking makes much of the Florestan solo.

of chorus, soloists and orchestra.

Around us in the nave were Eric Gill's Stations of the Cross. apt accompaniment to Liszt's Stabar Mater, the most extended and almost the finest movement

in the work.

It has rivals: the Agony in the Garden, rather Wagnerian in tone, is immensely moving and was nobly sung by Willard White whose vibrant bass voice relaxation, brevity contrasted with spaciousness, worthy of the genius who composed the B minor piano sonata. Incredibly, this was the first performance and finely expressive interpretaever of *Christus* in this country; fortunately it was a splendid one. tion had been admired in the Bestitudes, another marvellous section. The festival chorns sounded clear and well balanced, the strings of the Royal Westminster Cathedral made a grand setting for this musical Philharmonic Orchestra glowed beautifully, again clearly, in the survey of Jesus's life from the Nativity to the Resurrection, carhedrol's acoustic. The conits vast ceiling darkly numin-ous, broken by the huge and ductor Brian Wright proved methods as did his Weimar pre-solemnly illuminated crucifix himself a fer decessor Sebastian Bach with above the bright, distant array lous Lisztian. himself a fervent and scrupu-

#### Hercules Oueen Elizabeth Hall

Stanley Sadie

Like so many of Handel's works, Hercules is problematical: profoundly theatrical in feeling, yet not written for staging and thus not truly apt for it. So we have to hear it in the concert room; and there it sits uncomfortably because so long—even the heavily cut version that John Eliot Gardiner and his Monteverdi Choir and Orchestra offered on Saturday took pracneally three hours.

But with properly dramatic singing and conducting, it gave us the essence of the work. It was cleverly cast. Sarah Walker makes an ideal Dejanira, strong and sure in attack, fiery and

a harsh, edgy tone when that is called for. The famous "spindle and distaff" area was spat out with splendid scorn, and the Act III mad scene was passion-arely and movingly done. Hercules, the object of her misguided malice was sung, not quite surely of pitch but with tone, by John Tomlinson, who perhaps rightly stressed the hero's self-conscious swagger. From Wendy Eathorne there Margaret Cable a clear and even

musicianly and responsive sing music.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from Saturday's later editions.

Lichas.

agile, and capable of producing ing from the choir. I sometimes wish it was less good. Its virtuosity, I suspect leads Mr Gardiner astray. The long Gardiner astray. The long crescendos, the alternations of begato and streets, the man-nered phrasing and the subtle accents are impressive, but far from Handelian: by so indulging, Mr Gardiner undermines properly round and pompous the force of the music's utterance and saps its strength. Nor was he well advised in using an unnecessarily bowdlerized text, in introducing flippantly Frenwas a charming Iole, pure of chified notes inegales, or in cut-tone, very touching in the aria ting in a crude way that in-that almost parodies "I know evitably diminished the integrity that my Redeemer liveth"; of Handel's forms; but he paced Anthony Rolfe Johnson pro- the recitative well, kept the vided an elegant, ardent Hyllus, shythms beautifully springy and alert and drew excellent playing from his orchestra. Above As always, there was clean, all, he let us hear this noble

#### London Weekend Show

London Weekend

#### Michael Church

Hi, Janet, and welcome back! I missed your programme about what it is like to be a gypsy in 1977 last week but I mought your one on the National Front yesterday was absolutely fab, with lots of things to think about afterwards. Was that true what Joe said about 70 per cent of the active members of the NF being under 25? Because if so I think the schools ought to recognize the situation and hopefully do somethink about

Everybody's (well, nearly everybody's) tough big sister with a heart of gold, Janet Street-Porter has scored another topical bull's-eye. Less modish than last winter's coup on punk rock, vesterday's edition of The London Weekend Show may nevertheless go down in the annals of metropolitan teenage viewing as a programme to

Gimmicks were kept to a minimum as the social and political background to the newly created junior Front was sketched in. Three infant luminaries aired their views, Bernard Crick diagnosed the movement's appeal as "a sort of political pornography", and pupils from two London comprehensives then commented, with heartening sanity, on what they, and we, had seen and

It Luminary Two seemed chitry, Luminaries One and Three were a different kettle of fish. The sixth form actuary. eluctantly severe: "I would like all immigration stopped and repatriation started, by the most humane means possible" The emergency botcher, racing to go: all three main parties bad proved themselves "a load of rubbish, and there's only one

thing left, really".

Should schools teach politics. and, if so, how, and to child-ren of what age? If the answer is no, what should a responsible Government do to prevent the spread of corrupting propa-ganda? Callow youth notwith-standing, this programme set cit profound reverberations.

### 1400 years at school

#### The Public School

revelling on till the last ture, and Violetta, a prominent Lavelli is out to slice away all hostess, would have had more the glamour and glitter which care for her napery. Thereafter generally surrounds most Vio-matters improved mightily. Phenomenar, 597-1977 Miss Sass, as Covent Garden has already heard, has all the (Hodder & Stoughton, £7.50)

brilliance and poise for the Jonathan Gathorne-Hardy has, he claims, written a unique book: the first and only comher country cage she behaved like a lady, shading and soften-ing her tone to exquisite effect as she gives up Alfredo in "Dite alla giovine". book: the first and only com-plete history of the public schools. In advancing the idea he slips in a number of dis-claimers (not enough on girls' schools, Catholic schools, Scot-tish schools and day schools) but at the same time he bulks his 475-page book with quite enough bibliography, appendix, quotation and brutal unadul-terated fact to make it clear that it is supposed to end the It was in the final act though, that the real dramatic and vocal strength was revealed. Violetta, who had previously been a swan among the cackling geese of the dem monde, shed her fur-trimmed dresses for a simple night-gown, brilliant white, Bignens's most favoured colour, in the that it is supposed to end the steady trickle of thinner, more personal books about the public schools. (Mr Gathorne-Hardy was at untypical Bryanston, but scarcely allows his own schooldays to intrude.)

It is a remarkable effort. He darkness of her atric. The sudden false renewal of life, "Gran' Dio", was a brilliant outburst before the end, which showed Violetta for once not shimped over her couch but

begins at the beginning with King's School, Canterbury, founded about the time of as her own portrait closed over her. It was an act worth the price of the ticket to Paris, Augustine, and ends at the end when 10 Headmasters' Con-Michel Plasson could not ference schools have gone wholly co-educational and the cover up some crudeness from the Toulouse Orchestra and at headmaster of Eton is quoted as saying: "If I was the Headmistress of St. Mary's Calne. I should be terrified." In between there is bullying and bearing, a times had difficulty in balance ing the sound between stage and pit. This may well be the fault of the Salle Favart: a year ago there was roughness when he conducted Le Comte chapter on games and sex, another on "The Crush: Sex and Love at Girls Schools and Ory and yet a couple of months later he was splendid some other considerations", a some other considerations, a discussion on progressive schools, including Gordonstoun, Bryanston, Stowe (but not, unaccountably, Millfield) and much else. All is contained, elastically, in chronological form. The range is condensated and the contained of the co in charge of Les Carmélites at This Traviata had its weak

ness and its errors; but there were peaks as well and it was never dull. Lefort has declared that he wants to bring the ideas of the theatre into the derable and even includes a short passage of authropologiopera house and here was a clear demonstration of that incal comparison in which he suggests parallels between ini-tiation ceremonies among the John Higgins

standing staring at the audience

the Met.

tention.

British schools. "The resemblances are often close. The Arunta have to lie on green boughs over an open fire—you will remember the crawling over very hot radiators at Marlborough in the 1920s."

Much of it is based on a study of individual school histories which helps unnecessary the additions are. tories, which helps to explain why the book is generally bet-ter on the earlier period than the later. As Gathorne-Hardy himself points out: At around 1920 loyalty and fear of

At around 1900 toyany and jear of libel shrink the general histories into vague mumblings, those of individual schools into catalogues of swimming pools built.

He tries to remedy this with visits to 20 schools, and "inter-

views too numerous to mention", even alleging, for instance, that St Paul's Girls' School was rife with "lesbian contacts" in the early 1960s. But generally his discussion of the modern schools in anodyne, restricted as often as not by just that fear of libel he affects to patronize. In the St Paul's affair, for instance, he is reduced to "a young and lovely teacher—call her Miss

The public schools are, of course, notoriously sensitive to

criticism and publicity and some will undoubtedly accuse the author of bias. Some will By Jonathan
Gathorne-Hardy

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they were, "there would be few profound benefits and much loss of excellence". It is not always easy to see why he should take this view. Some modern public schools are not excellent—indeed, in terms of academic curriculum, one of the most interesting schools mentioned is Upping ham where, Classics apart, they also taught "Italian, Spanish, logic, arithmetic, geometry, music and natural philoso-phy". That was in 1587, some phy". That was in 1587, some 300 years before the headmaster of Sherborne, "a cycling blue who had ridden a penny farthing against Oxford", attended all school matches in all weathers "with a frenzied interest" running round the touch line screaming in English, Greek and Latin. If a boy could speak at the end of a match it was a sign of inadequate effort and he was

inadequate effort and he was Such telling details are much the book's stronges; points and the quotations are usually well chosen, even if they tend to be over long. There is a tendency, too, to take novels such as The Hill or The Loom of Youth, a little too literally and to ignore altogether the most recent additions to the genre including David Benedictus's Fourth

June and Auberon Waugh's Foxglove Saga. I also think he is quite wrong to dismiss in so cavalier a fashion Trelawnev-Ross's Their Prime of Life to read". I was one, though not the one who said it was The best book ever written about public schools". It is far more revealing than he con-cedes, a self-portrait of an almost impossibly long-serving housemaster, and his concep-tion of what life in his house is like. At times the writing is

At times the writing is sparkling and wry, at others it is quite leadenly pedestrian ("The second guideline to grasp is that the years of maximum intensity were from 1840 to 1870"). And I wish he would not end so many chapters with an invocation. "Let us cast ourselves back back well over a thousand years..." he says at the end of his introduction, and later. of his introduction, and later, marshalling the arguments for and against abolition, he even writes "Come lads—surely we can do better than that". This, in a niggling way, remains my verdict. In many

ways it is an immensely impressive, wide ranging, scrupulously documented work. It may well be the most complete book on the public schools. But surely not the best.

Tim Heald

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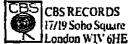
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### Mrs Mary Whitehouse

### A certainty that everything is either black or white

In July Mrs Mary Whitehouse || nouncement she talks to fellow brought a private prosecution members over the telephone for blasphemous libel against and asks for their opinions. for blasphemous libel against and asks for their opinions; Gay News, the homosexual but there consultation usually paper which had published a ends. There are few official poem abour a Roman Cen- policy meetings. Without her it turion's homosexual love for is in fact very hard to see the Christ at the Crucifizion. It was the first case of its kind to be heard for 56 years, and she VAIA gives Mary Whitehouse won it. The paper was fined, a platform from which to proand its editor given a suspended prison sentence. (He has since appealed.)

The point of this is less the and wrongs of the ase many people were troubled by the imagery of the verse—than Mary Whitehouse's

While the jurors appeared to be vaciliating about the ver-dict, Mary Whitehouse prayed. She prayed out loud for the uncertain jurors to be enlightened, guided by the Lord to see the truth. That there is a truth, a black and a white, Mary Whitehouse has never r a moment doubted.
This kind of singular cer-

tainty stamps her reactions. There is something very com-forting about it, especially when dealing in issues as trou-bling and confused as censor-ship and morality. The blanket fundamentalist approach has won her many supporters in the past 10 years, people who see in her a symbol of hope in decaying England, a Joan of Arc stemming a ride of porn from flooding the country.

But it has also made her

ehement enemies among those rho fear the repressive forces of guilt far more than the dangers of a changing and experimenting society.

Mary Whitehouse was a 52-year-old art reacher at Madeley Secondary School, in Shrop-shire, married to an industrial coppersmith with three sons, when she launched the Clean-Up TV campaign in 1963, Her concern was very simple. As senior mistress she was also responsible for the health and welfare of her pupils, and she had begun to detect a good deal of sexual and moral confusion in their minds over what they were watching on television. Then as now my chief concern was with child ren", she says.
It wasn't just the discussions

bjected to, though those, to a Christian moral position had been formed by many years mem-bership of Moral Rearmament, ity" of the Sixties, and expe-cially of 1963, which in her has become synonymous with all that is most evil.

She calls it a "extraordinary year, a climactic year" with the Profumo scandal, the satirikitchen sink theatre. It was also the year in which Dr Alex and theologians for centuries.

Comfort defined on television It would be mice to believe Comfort defined on television of a chivalrous boy as one "who is Mary Whitehouse's vision of takes contraceptives with him when he goes to meet his girl without her particular faith

During the long summer holidays Mary Whitehouse learnt that the BBC's Charter was due for renewal at the beginning of 1964. This gave her a chance to act. She rang a friend, Mrs Norah Buckland, drafted a petition objecting to the "propaganda of disbelief, doubt and dirt" broadcast by the BBC.

country turned up one evening ries her just as much as porno to attend a public meeting in

Birmingham town hall.

The BBC had its Charter renwed nonetheless, but before long the Clean-Up TV campaign, had turned into the National Viewers' and Listen. gives it a sonorous, vaguely

wagnerran air.
Today National VALA has
31,000 members, though since
1200 represent organizations,
Mary Whitehouse believes that actual support runs as high as 3,000,000 people. Its aim is to make television producers in particular more aware of the opinions of ordinary viewers.

The organization is tun from an office in the Whitehouse home, a bright, pleasant room looking out onto the garden and bursting with photocopying machines, electric typewriters and piles of papers and books; on the wall there is a photograph of Mary Whitehouse shaking hands with the Pope. (She joined a group of German laymen concerned with man laymen concerned with phy deprayes and debumanizes and a pollution on a visit to its participates and distorts the Pope in 1971, and left this "essence"; it is a "gray-behind her copies of the Little esty of good sex".

Red School Book and the All this is strong stuff. But School Kids Oz for the Varican Mary Whitehouse is not averse to study.)

The work is done by Mary Whitehouse, a rota of part time volunteers, a boyish looking ex-civil servent called John Beyer, and Ernest Whitehouse, Mary's husband, a dour and somewhat silent man, committed to a literal interpretation

of the Bible.

Mary Whitehouse's official position at National VALA is that of voluntary General it gives her a base, but it is no Secretary and spokesman. The position is important because in mod of the Sixpies is important to her. coincidence that everyone in this country has heard of Mary Whitehouse, while few people could identify National VALA with any confidence.

Mary Whitehouse is National VALA Before making a pro-

nounce, with some assurance but no obvious qualifications, on anything that captures her

And pronounce she does: on sex education, the permissive Sixties, religious instruction. violence on television, porno-graphy, masturbation and blas-

Her genius lies in her ability to make people listen to her. If she is, as many say, a simple creation of the lazy media, who find in her a cooperative and photogenic representative of the censorship lobby, aiways available for the quick quote and the predictable sense of outrage, she has also manip-ulated it with consummate skill to secure her own crea-

Mary Whitehouse today is as canny and able a self-publicist as anyone around. And yet to have bit so precisely on a national feeling of anxiety and to have pursued it so tena-ciously is no mean achievement for a woman of little academic training and who says of herself that she is basi-cally just an average house-

There is by now a very familiar scenario for the first meeting between Mary Whitehouse and a journalist. The story runs that the sceptical reporter sets off from London to visit her house near Colchester in Essex, in a belligerent state of mad, expecting an encounter with a battleaxe. Instead she finds herself drinking tea in a charming English garden with a delightful good tempered woman, quite won over by her charm and her simplicity. She returns to London, and writes about this charm and simplic-

there. At 67 Mary Whitehouse is indeed a cheerful and agreeable figure. Her garden, which she looks after largely herself, is enviable and her photowere clearly upsetting. It was is enviable and her photo-what she has constantly graphs do not do justice to the referred to as the "new moral-extreme liveliness of her monner, nor to her robust good health and rosy cheeks. But there is something instinctively offputting about the special voice somewhere between feryour and the bracing tones of the gym mistress—used to declare articles of faith, and cal show That Was The Week declare articles of faith, and the self righteous air of her wich's Honest to God, and the leasy pronouncement of larger of large that have perplexed laymen

> one cannot. And if this cheery, middle aged woman with her good health, sensible shoes and perfect teeth is no more than a fervent evangelist, preaching a crusade of clean bying, repres-sion and incolerance why do so many people listen to ther? Do they in fact histen?

Mary Whitehouse's name is strongly identified in many people's minds with an obsession with the sexual content of The petition was to attract nearly half a million signatures in the next two years, and in the meantime 37 coachloads of supporters from all over the country turned up one evening graphy. The fact remains though that she has very strong, and not always abundantly clear, views about sex-

ual morality. Briefily these appear to be: sex, to quote from the introers' Association National duction to Whatever happened VALA as it is known, which to Sex? published last year, is wonderful, but only when "sublimated in service" or "expressed in love"; this is private sex between married

people and is sometimes seen as a spiritual act to do with man's essence. Hence Mary Whitehouse's passionate battles over sex education (which she believes should basically be left to parents) the controversial sex advication programma Growing Up, the School Kids Oz and the Little Red School Book (both of them publications of much

moral worth, which debated were taken to court in 1971). Degraded sex, as seen in excessive sexual activity and unorthodox sex of any kind leads to social decay. Pornogra-

to descending to more mun-dane levels. She said to me, as she has said to countless jourmother was dying, they waited three years before getting mar-ried, and in that time they didn't sleep together. "There is something very wonderful about keeping oneself a virgin,

tant to her. To return to her original point, degraded sex weakens society, particularly where it girings they have about her. forms for reply. They he concerns women. "By using However, Mary Whitehouse, also made her somew women in pornography, you hit at womanhood and if you hit that Moral Rearmament is curiously vulnerable note



at womanhood you hit at the family", she said. Or, as she put it in Whatever happened to sex?: "The role of the mother and the housewife is the central guarantee of human continuity. If that role be destroyed then society itself cannot long survive."

Neglect these strictures at your peril: a weakened and deprayed society is a vulner-able society. "Sexual able society. "Sexual anarchy", she warns, "is the forerunner of political anarchy. Political anarchy is the precursor of either dicta-torship or destruction." And: "Infiltration by the far left in social, industrial and political life" is only to be avoided by taking the Mary Whitehouse way—"the path carved out by love and passion of Christ". This, really, is the crux of her position. Mary Whitehouse is a Christian with basic, fundamentalist Christian beliefs and it is impossible to understand either her or National

VALA without them. At 14, she says, she abandoned God. In her early twenties she In her early twenties she turned back to God with an ecstasy and a commitment that have been strengthened by the considerable amount of per-sonal abuse that has come her way in the last 10 years.

She is a regular churchgoer, but also adds: "My spiritual

strength has always come out of doors. If I have a problem I am more likely to walk in the garden than go to church." She derives her impressive robustness from her religious faith, and will often repeat that her work at National VALA is a religious calling, supported by God's protection. When I asked her about the organization's future, all she would say was that it was in God's hands. The finances of National VALA are also left in God's hands, and rather than canvas for money (over and above the modest 25p a year membership dues) Many Whitehouse has always preferred to trust the money would turn

up. It always has. Her closest personal friend Sheila Stordy, spoke of her work purely in religious terms: "What is amazing is the way the Lord God has led

Mary, and how she has let him

lead her." This belief that God will provide is the centre of her religion. Mary Whitehouse's way back to God in her early twenties was enormously im-portant in shaping her future. in 1935 she joined the Wolverhampton branch of the Oxford Group of which Ernest was already a member. (The Oxford Group became Moral Rearmament in 1938.) And Moral Rearmament, with its emphasis on the direct gui-dance of God, which is given to those who surrender their wills, and a conviction that men are sinful and in need of spiritual regeneration, as well as its concern with chastity, and its fear of communism, forms the intellectual basis of

her movement.
On the surface Mary White-house's opinions appear to have nothing more in common than a Godly conservatism. They all fit into a coherent pattern however, once she is seen as a latter-day example of a particular tradition within Protestantism, derived from Calvin and spread by the Puritans, a rheology which regards man as 70s."

The utterly depraved and saved only by faith in Jesus Christ. Nostalgia for that Christian Golden Age of almost universal Chrisgia for that Christian Golden
Age of almost universal Christian faith seems to lie at the base of her pronouncements and base of her pronouncements and attitudes. Few church leaders today share either this theology or this view of past and present, which does something to expect the seather than the faith the strength of the strengt which does something to explain the imparience she feels towards them and the mistowards them have about her.

However these attacks nave both strengthened her faith and provided her with platforms for reply. They have her somewhat

British society (for its prewar links with fascism) has been are no obvious connexious, other than that many of the early members at least were also members of MRA, and no

She has in fact always been determined to keep National VALA independent, free of all religious and political ties, though she says that she has the conservative Party since Mrs Thatcher is more sympathetic to her views than anyone in the Labour move-

She has in any case entag-onized many of her natural ablies in the Church by what one Anglican called her "com-plete tack of subslety and blinplete lack of subtlety and blin-kered approach" and by her frequent accusations that the Church is spineless in its arti-tude towards the Permissive Society.

Another prominent layman Another prominent layman in the Anglican church said that regretfully he had always avoided her: "She could have helped us all had she not taken such a dogmatic position over religious issues that are in fact complicated and need to be dealt with delicately. She has annoyed people by dis-crediting their very genuine concern for what was happen-

concern for what was happening."

He maintained that her shrewdness in dealing with people does not appear to be accompanied by any charitable desires to give others the benefit of the doubt, nor by any perceptible intellectual humility. He added that her tone of moral indignation was felt by

inty. He added that her tone of moral indignation was felt by many to be counter-productive.

Seen in the context of an all embracing, evangelical religious faith, Mary Whitehouse's crusade becomes easier to understand: while pornography deprayes, and thus weakens deprayes, and thus weakens
British society, it is also quite
simply wrong because it is not
in keeping with the divine

Michael Tracey and David Michael Tracey and David Morrison, authors of a two volume study on National VALA to be published next year by Macmillan, carry this point further. They say that Mary Whitehouse's campaigns are not about sexual permissiveness at all but about the secularization of British society, of which it is simply a symbol. Their view is that National VALA is basically a clash between Christianity and the secular forces; television is especially threatening is especially threatening because it is piping the values of these secular forces straight into the people's homes.

Over the past 13 years Mary Whitehouse has lashed out in an often wild and indiscriminate way. She has stracked Chad Varah, founder of the Samaritans, the Family Planning Association, the National Council for Civil Liberties, and the British Humanist Associa-tion. Chief villain is Sir Hugh Greene, Director General of the BBC from 1960 to 1969, who she says in her book was above all responsible for the moral collapse of the 60s and

There are a few heroes: Dr Spock returned to the fold, and Arianna Stassinopoulos

extremely careful to disasso-ciate National VALA from any too close links with it. There evidence at all of any financial support. Mary Whitehouse receives gifts and donacious for the work—but they do not come from MRA.

These people bitterly resent what one described as an "interfering busy-body imposing her parochial views on society". They resent too the fact that, as they see it, she is not prepared to argue her case, and that she is openly scornful when they declare they are themselves extremely alive to the pitfalls in using violent and pornographic mate

They are all however, prepared to concede her one very basic role. She has become a champion for people in this country who feel that the liberal position has gone too far. For them she is an essential focal point, a courageous woman who despite ridicule articulates their often muddled but intense feeling that there is too much violence and too little faith abroad; who wish that sex education had a little more to do with morality and a little less with biology (it is revealing that anxiety over sex and religious education in schools is what spurs parents to join National VALA); who sense that their children are watching things on television that will harm them, but don't know how to object. She speaks for them, and that is important.

miscuity? None of these views, her obsessions, her extreme conservatism and evangelical Christianity, nor her seeming reluctance to face any serious analysis of the problems would matter very much were they not allied to such obvious powers of leadership and organization. As it is her critics fear that all her appeals are to a darker age of sexual repression, to guilt and the in-tense unhappiness it causes.

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And a lot of people listen to

Ice skating

the way she rings around ber friends daily for reassurance that she is doing right. (Steven Stevens, secretary of the Nationwide Festival of Light told me that they talk every Her books are full of stories of slights and personal abuse, most of them from the

Scott Criner, took third.

Cousins, who finished second in the event isst year, said: "I'm happy that I wan, but I'm very mrappy with the way I skated. For the first time, I went into a final being in first place and it felt strange. I'm going to have to learn, if it happens again, to cope with it."

i ...ked her what she felt she had achieved since she gave up full time in 1965. She disted full time in 1965. She listed the banning of the American blue movie Deep Throat, the biasphenty case and keeping Thorsen (the Dankin film maker who wanted to make a film chout the sex life of Christ in Britain) out of the country. She said she felt that National VALA had given ordinary people the feeling that they had some say in television.

media—the list alone is some

indication of the way in which

she thrives on and exists through newspapers and televi-

teaching to run her camp

am confident that the new generation is rebelling against the fantasy and sickness of the permissive society."

the Sixties is a view shared, if not sympathized with, by many of die people I spoke to who toughening up on porn and sex magazines, and a distinct swipg tway from the experimental incedoms of recent years.

Rothwell grew up in the shadow of Buster Mostram and John Lloyd and believing there was no future for him in Britain went to univernational recognition for Mr Hut. claims said: "There are not many broadcasting, and another said that he regarded her as one of the many hurdles that you I could se mm doing west in more
British tournaments, especially
against American players, he could
still get into my A squad. This is
the group from which the British
Davis Cup team is selected.
Anne Hobbs, the 18-year-old
Cheshire girl who was refused permission by Mr Hutchins at the
begining of the week to pull out
of the tournament because she was have to take in the obstacle race of making films. Most of the people I talked to were considerably less sanguine.

One film producer said: Mary Whitehouse is about as constructive on her subject as Enoch Powell is on race relations." A former television executive added that she appealed to the illiberal element in this country and that her views were "often perilously close to the fascist men-

He had some reason for the severity of his view: after Mary Whitehouse's personal attacks on him in the past he used to get floods of obscene letters powring through his letter box.

and guilt stricter censorship and the need for a "degree of consciousness of something wrong in order to produce healing" that Mary White-house's views become worrying. It is partly that the kind of society she stands for could put a stop to creative experi-ment, and people inevitably ask what makes her so certain that pornography will lead to moral decay? That broadening that curriculum of religious education to take in other fairirs will make children lose their sense of security? That contraception will lead to pro-

Cousins in superb display on final day

Moncton, New Brunswick, Oct 30.—Robin Cousins, of Britain, skated superbly in the face of a strong threat from the American, Charles Tickner, just night to win the imigadual gold medal for men at Skate Canada. Tickner finished second and another American, Scott Crimer, took third.

included a triple and a double.

The Beitish pair, of Janet Thompson and Warren Maxwell, won the ice-dancing gold medal, Marka Zdeva and Andrei Vitman, of the Soviet Union, won the silver medal; Lorina Wighton and the Company of Conduct the

fronze. The world champion, Linda Fratianne, of the United States, completed her free-style programme flawlessly to win the women's title. Miss Fratianne received first-place marks from all nine fudges in the three sections

course, who was playing in only

Britain this summer after five

years of studies in Florida, was

men's singles final in the tournsment, sponsored by Slazenger, at Bournemouth on Saturday. He

beat the number three seed and

fourth ranked Dutch player, Theo

Gorter, in a fierce battle of left handers.

The British team manager, Paul

Hutchins, was there to see the

unseeded Rothwell come through

against the odds. As a junior

people who could begin a tennis

career at 2 in this country but if

I could se him doing well in more

observes on her lecture circuit (she is a fluent and competent speaker, both brisk and cosy and gives on average a talk a day, or three major ones a week). In the universities where she once met with to earn recognition abuse, she now finds a new breed of Bible reading stu-dents, who treat her with respect at union debates. "I

She is vague about her owe note in this, but optimistic that the middle Seventies are altogether morally healthire than

In the film and television world in particular very few people are prepared to attribute this to Mary Whitehouse's influence. One documentary producer granted her a certain "nuisance value" especially with the "upper echelons" in broadcactine, and another said

It is when she gets on to see

Caroline Moorehead

Winners for Britain: Janet Thompson and Warren Maxwell.

competition—compulsory of the competition—computatory
figures, compulsory short profigures, compulsory short profigures, compulsory short profigures, compulsory short proShe said she was "a little bit
nervous" because it was her first
competition since winning the
world tifle in Tokyo last March.
"I'm happy with the way it
turned out.", she added.

Lisa Marie Allen, of the United States, won the silver medal, Heather Kemkaran, of Canada, the groupe, Emi Watanaba, of Japan.



Borg resists a brave Rothwell not too old at 22 effort by Lloyd

Basie, Oct 30.—The Wambledon champion, Bjorn Borg, of Sweden, best John Lioyd, of Britain, 6–4, 6–2, 6–3, to win the men's singles title at the Swiss indoor tennis tournament here today. Lioyd put up a busive fight without seriously threadment. tired, finally stayed the course to win the women's singles by beating a former Wightman Cup international, Corinne Molesworth, Ann Jones, the former Wimhledon champion, plans a stake up for some of Britain's best young girl teimis players during a training course at Bisham Abbey from November 7 to 12. After accepting an invitation from the Lawn-Tenuls Association to take charge of the girls during the training The British player impressed with the accuracy during the supprisingly long radies on the fast court, and Borg had some trouble with Lloyd's imastics in the first ser. of the girs during the training course, she said: "I won't use the big whip but PII tell them to

In the third set, Lloyd broke Bong's service to level at 3-3 but Lloyd can out of standing and Bong booke bath, going on to wir comfortably 6-3. Borg, who received \$10,000 (£6,000) as first prize, said that he had to play his best to overcome the challenge of his British opposent. Lloyd, who had previously eliminated bosh the number two seed, Mark Cox and the number three seed, Jame Filiol, to reach the final received \$5,000 (about \$2,000).

The third-seeded British Christopher Moteram and Cox, won the men's doubles

Horse show

sity in America.

### West Germany their duck

Landover, Maryland, Oct 30.— Willibert Mehlkoof and his horse, Cyrano, sizzled over a course of 12 fences to give West Germany their

Willibert Mehlkopf and his horse, Cyrano, sizzled over a course of 12 feaces to give West Germany their first win at the Washington International Horse Show. Mehlkopf completed the round in 46.5 seconds, beating his closest competitor, Jean-Guy Mathers of Quebec, on First Mounty, by only two-tenths of a second in the speed class.

Mehlkopf, 3S, of Aachen, attributed his win to "a lot of luck" and a good horse. Cyrano, a 12-year-old Westphalian, belongs to Mehlkopf's father-in-law. Mehlkopf's father-in-law. Mehlkopf's father-in-law. Mehlkopf's father-in-law mehlkopf's father-in-law. M

Hockey

### Bedford defence cannot keep up with Gallop

county bookey championship pro-vided they correct the mistakes they made against Oxfordshire at

mine."

Mrs Jones, who has had occasional days in the past with the training party, edded "I tan't force anyone to work at the game, it's up to them. But these are all good players and they know that if they won't work hard they'll never get to the top. I think I can be of great help to them because of my experience. I can tell them all about the pressures they will have to fate and how I overcome them. It's my first full week with the sound

and picking up by the visitors were superior, and their front running much smoother. This win by Oxfordshire, who were besten 2-0 by Buckinghamshire last week, should encourage them for their match next Saturday against Sussex in the Southern division of the championship.

For about a quarter of an hour

For about a quarter of an hour Bedfordshire's stick players, inspired from behind by Daved were supreme. But Featherstone, who had a spiendid game in Oxfordshire's defence, soon became an impassable barrier and much of the home side's midfield rhythin was disrupted by Wilson, who brought all his experience with Wales and Great Britzin into the game.

At the start of the game Bedfordshire took the right route to goal with Ellis and Player making god progress along the flanks and testing the goalkeeper with sting.

By Sydney Friskin ing shots. A short corner gave
Bedfordshire 1 Oxfordshire 2 way to a penalty stroke in the
Bedfordshire have every chance twelfth minute and Daved put Bedfordshire in the lead. They should have had at least two more goals in the Eastern section of the in the next 10 minutes. From about the twentieth minute

county bockey championship provided they correct the mistakes they made against Oxfordshire at Luton yesterday. They put them selves at risk by relaxing after taking an early lead against a side with limited resource but a more resilient spirit.

If they hope to beat Essex next week Bedfordshire should make full use of their wing forwards as Oxfordshire did. The stopping and picking up by the visitors.

From about the twentieth minute Oxfordshire found new strength. Their persistence led to two shorts the second of which was successful. Featherstone's shot was saved by the goalkeeper and callor raced in to score off the rebound four minutes before half-time. With only a few seconds to go for the interval Copping, on Oxfordshire did. The stopping and picking up by the visitors.

A renewal of endeavour by Bed-

A renewal of endeavour by Bed fordshire with Ellis working hard to their right flank revived their spirits for a whole but seven and consist of a whole but seven and consist of sound the end it was the bedfordshire who scored. The seven all the Bedfordshire defence was caught off guard and Gallop sent Watson of his own.

### China invited to send team to Brighton tournament

By Richard Streeton
China, the biggest spectator attraction in table tennis, have been invited to send a eam to play in England next January. The invitation was issued by Charles Wyles, chairman of the English Table Tennis Association, during the English team's tour of China, over the past fortnight. The Chinese reply should be known within a week or so. Mr Wyles said at Heathrow Airport yesterday when the English

known within a week or so.

Mr Wyles said at Heathrow Airport yesterday when the English party returned, that it was boped China would agree to play in the international tournament at Brighton from January 12-14, the former English Open championships. During their visit they would be asked to make other appearances in different part of the country.

The tour to China, which was sponsored by the London Export Corporttion, took eight young players to Peking, Changsha and Canton for matches. The playing record, predictably, did not look successful on paper, Mr Wyles said, but a great deal had been learnt. Team officials agreed that by the end of the rour the English players looked far sharper, they were going for their decisive shors more rapidly, and were handling the high Chinese lob: services better. This was the third time Mr Wyles had led English teams better. This was the third time Mr Wyles had led English teams

in China since the cultural revolu-tion of the late 1960s and in-found the atmosphere in sport circles more relaxed and friendly than ever before. "I'm sure we could go back any time it could be arranged", he said. The biggest compliment the Chinese paid Mr. Wyles was to let him these countries of the related chimese paid. Aur. Wyles was to let him have samples of the rubber sheets used on the widely discussed Chimese bats. He could not recall previous visiting beams being presented with these and they will now be studied by English technical committees, coaches and management of the country of lish technical committees, coaches and manufacturers.

Apart from playing, the English party had time for plenty of sight-seeing and among the places they visited in Peking was the pewly-built Chairman Mao manufacum. Two of the players, Carole Knight and Linda Howard will scarrely have time to unpack. They leave for Moscow tomorrow to play a Buropean League match with the

European League match with the Soriet Union on Wednerday. Hongkong, Oct 29—China took the honours on the final day of the Hongkong international table. the Hongkong international table tennis tournament here rought. China's national champions Kuo Yao-Hua, bent Liao Fa-Min, a compatriot, to clinch the men's singles title in straight sets. Chine won the ream title last Wedneyday, beating Japan 5—2 in the final—Revier.

Swimming.

#### Schoolgirl wins acclaim as Games prospect

Jane Parry, aged 12, Ellesmare Port, who is possible the best all round specting an pect to Britain after her 512 100 metres free style win in national schools' swimping classifier at Covenary on Saturdalis facing a dilenum. Her sa makes her the fastest ever year old swammer in British.
she also bodie an outstand
athletics record. In July, also
the schools commolouships,
tan 200 metres in 23.6866. the schools commonsored ran 200 metres in 23 feet.

Her amletics couch wants of to give up swimming. He all I am using the second wants of the water of the last of the swimming couch shirtly Cooke, a school doct describes this as management wants her to cave, on with he sports. Dr Cooke easy this two scrivings complement of the She girms samming and changing the swimming and changed and swimming and changed the swimmi

her somewhat there is a

# The art of making a lot out of a little

City find their way by

losing their reputation

Football Correspondent
Nottingham Forest's position
four points above Liverpool in
the first division would be interestrag enough without the additional
fascination of their being managed
by Briks Clough. In the coming
mostlis the sound of Mr Clough's
name may become an assault on
the senses even if the man plunself
maintains his shirt rationing of
tomments. tommens.

H the Football Association bave

If the Football Association have not already made up their minds to beep Ron Greenwood as the England manager, the campaign Forest are carrying out by winning for Mr Clough is not easily osmissed. Probably it will be in rain but there is no doubt that Mr Clough has become a firm consumer, together with his assistant, Peter Taylor, who is as important as Wise to Morecambe. No doubt, 100, Mr Clough has broken his silence at opportune moments.

His recent condemnation of the obscene chaming that has added one more reason not to attend toothall matches was welcome and

A glimpse of

By Stuart Jones

Derek Hales saw his journey to Derby Connty as a visit to the garden of paradise, only to find that the gates were closed. On Saturday, after leading West Ham United to their second successive away victory, by 2-0, against lpswich Town, he found that the gates are now ajar, if not open. After a barrem, unhappy stay in the Midlands, he is now blunting the knives that criticised him for his inability to succeed in the first division. He took both goals here with effortless assurance. The first was a fierce left-foot volley from close range, the second a chip over Cooper's head.

The reason for his, and West Ham's changing fortune is simple. "We are a happy bunch here. It is a pleasure to play with them." He owed much to Radford, his first big fellow striker, who made both goals, and Robson. lurking hungrily behind them. He owed even more to Brooking, a regal figure overlooking all.

Brooking strolled while others

figure overlooking all.

Brooking stroked while others
ran. He stroked his passes, others
list them. He had an idea before

he was in possession, others after-wards. Brooking conducted the sweetest chord in the piece, with Hales and Radford as his two-

man orchestra, only to mistime the final volley. Tought an Eng-land XI provide the opposition in a testimonial match for his bene-fit.

first home defeat of the season, a poignant comment was made by

a poignant comment was made by a lone supporter who found a lofty perch, on a flaspole high above the ground. He stayed long chough to see Ipswich's one and only serious threat—when Osman's drive cannoned off Day's knees in the eighth minute. Then he left. He was a seagull and he had seen enough. For Ipswich, then succumbed to the common tempration of aerial bombardment. Armed with the power of Whymark and Mariner, it was less hopeless than usual. But the assault floundered on the shores

Robson and Hales went close to locreasing the margin of a deserved victory. Ipswich, perhaps, were already mentally drifting towards the Canary Islands where, on Wednesday, they enter the second leg of the Uefa Cup against Las Palmas

West Ham, without European

Referee: M. Sinclair (Guildford).

Perugia, Italy, Oct 30.—Renato Curi, 24, of the Perugia football ilub, collapsed during the team's icalless match with Juventus and

lied of a heart attack.

paradise

for Hales

perhaps it is too cynical to think that his views were indended to receive a sympolicitic reaction at Lancaster time where moral standards in football are causing concern. There were notices at the summer of the contract saying. Furest ground on Saturday saying,
"Gentlemen: No sweating,
picase". If the line below should
have been "we're British" n
way, in fact, the signature
"Britan".

Bisan ".

At several matches this season Mr Clough has slightly offended journalists by sending his deputy or even one of his players to speak to them rather than come himself. He has preferred not to mention his interest in the England position directly to those people who may have a little England position directly to those people who may have a little England position directly to those people who may have a little England position directly to those people who may have a little England position directly to those people who may have a little included on the refers. It was nor surprising, therefore, that mus weekend there were reports that mus weekend there were reported his interest in the job not at a press connercence but at a meeting of Nominghamshire cricket collusiacts. Whether this were this private views surremitiously overheard by some hidden tape recorder is not dear.

Forest's lour-point lead came

By Norman Fox
When the determinedly patriotic
Emlyn Hughes says, as he often
does, that there is nothing wrong
with English football he invariably

does, that there is nothing wrong with English football he invariably quotes a rip-roaring game played at grand prix pace and won by Liverpool. Of this type, Saturday's match between Manchester City and Liverpool at Maine Road was a classic with a difference, because Liverpool lost 3—1 and left Nottingham Forest with a surprisingly comfortable four-point lend at the top of the first division.

It was not necessary to agree with Hughes's doctrine to accept that whatever the rest of the world may offer, this was entertairment steeped in traditional English values and could not have been emulated in Rame or Rio. By some estandards it was a compelling helter-skelter that had the pink classifieds bawling "Crunch match" and "Four-goal thriller". By others it was everything that keeps English fortball on a treadmill internationally.

There were two sound reasons for Liverpool's defeat by a City

There were two sound reasons for Liverpool's defeat by a City team supposedly weakened by the absence of Hartford, Tueart and Booth. They falled to take the chances that regularly came their way in the first half and suffered the consequences in the second what Comments in the second

way in the first half and suffered the consequences in the second when City made the most exhibitating and positive recovery.

After half an hour Fairclough had dodged the entire City defence—not for the first time—and completed a glorious Liverpool attack by shooting in as he burst through the penalty area.

Liverpool's decision to use Fairclough in attack from the beginning, rather than have McDermott as extra security in midfield, was good for the game but not quite as good for the game but not quite as good for their own prospects. They relied on the long early ball across the

of West Ham's central defence. to solve an old problem

The match became an egg-timer of confidence, draining out of the blue shirts of Ipswich and into the white of West Ham. Indeed, Pike. Injury was blamed for Manchester build, but much sturdler than the sturdler of the blue shirts of Ipswich and into the linguist was blamed for Manchester build, but much sturdler than the sturdler than

injury was blamed for Manchester United's 2—1 defeat against Aston Villa on Saturday. Only the difference, this time, was that United's failure was due to a deficiency in reserve strength rather than the players they were missing.

That a team of United's standing should be crippled by two or three injuries is a sad comment on their aspirations. To attempt so win the League Championship with a pool of about only 12 players of genuine class is foolhardy and unnecessary fr a club of United's wealth. This is not a new problem for United; they have been undermanned since they returned to the first division. The failure of their once famous youth policy to produce one outstanding forward apart from Mc-firoy in recent seasons means David Sexton, the manager, must go shopping.

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David Sexton, the manager, must go shopping.

Jimmy Greenhoff is the only hig purchase United have made in a long while. They need another defender and a forward whether or not Pearson decides to leave.

Aston Villa, slowly returning to their promise of last season, duly took advantage of the enfeebled giant and contained him, at times

Sexton needs new faces

about because they beat Middles-brough 4—0 while Liverpool tost 3—1 at Manchester City. They are now in a position to stay ahead through the early part of November until England's match with luly at Wembley after which a decision on the future of the international team's management will have to be made. Mr Clough can stand back and let his achievements speak for him and certainly he has made a lot out of a little at Forest. The same task faces me man who manages England.

The challenge to Forest may not come until after Christmas when Liverpool's formidable strength come until after Christmas when Liverpool's formidable strength could overcome them. For the moment Liverpool will be reliceed to go to Dresden this week with the assurance of a 5-1 lead in the European Cup. Their attack failed in their defeat by Manchester City, who had been under threat of being left behind by the leaders. Newcastie's remarkable 4-4 draw deprived Everton of a point at Goodison Park and West Bromwich Albion lost 2-1 to Queen's Park Rangers whose determination at last matched their talents. These

hallway line, but found Wasson a one-man blockade.
Corrigan, the nimble Goliatts, saved City almost as often as Watson as he rushed at Fair-clough's feet and cleared some devilish shots. He was still braving the storm into the second half. Then City began channelling their power into more thoughtful plans. After three defeats in the month they were in danger of slipping into the backwaters of the championship and their manager; Tony Book, had said: "The need is to start playing to ability and place a lot less reliance on the reputation we had been acquiring in the first division as being a potent force." So, not by force, but through the ability of the young winger, Barnes, and the older hands, Channon, Kidd and Royle, they recovered to win.
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Daiglish had lift the post and Liverpool were beginning to become frustrated when City struck back. Kidd thrashed a volley past Clemence directly from Barnes's corner. Warson then lifted a long clearance into the Liverpool half and Channon controlled the ball well before fending off Hughes and shooting into a small gap to the left of Clemence. Even Hansen's cool eye began to look for an easy escape from the roasting that Barnes fired whenever he swerved in towards the penalty area. He tripped Barnes but the referee waved advantage and the ball was set up for Joe Royle, whose scoring shot may have been his last for City as he is waiting to be transferred.

MANCHESTER CITY: J. Corrigan Clements, W. Donachle, M. Doyle Owen, D. Watson, P. Barnes, M. hannon, J. Royle, B. Klud, P. Power

LIVERPOOL: R. Clemence: P. Neal J. Jones, A. Hansen, R. Kennedy, E. Nuches, N. Dalplish, J. Caso, E. Holghway, D. Faircloue, J. Callaghan, Referoe: W. Johnson (Kendal).

when at Arsenal, was indisputably the man of the moment, ferreting and creating with a remarkable astuteness.

United, however, did not give way until after half an hour when they succumbed to a classic Villa goal. Little's long cross to the far post saw Gray, with Buchan and Albiston clutching at his coat talls, streaming in to meet it with his head. A second goal five minutes before half time was as inevitable as United's elimination from the Cup Winners' Cup this week and Cropley, rightly, was the scorer.

In an nlikely climax, to a second half which always seemed to know its course. Nicholl scored for United with seven minutes left and Coppell again with a disallowed goad in the fading

ASTON VILLA: J. Rimmer: J. Gid-an. G. Smith, L. Phillips, K. (KNaughi, D. Mortimer, J. Dochan, Little, A. Gray, A. Cropley, F. atrodus,

MANCHESTER UNITEO: A. Stepney: J. Nicholl. A. Aldision. S. McIlroy. S. Houston. M. Buchan. C. McGrath. S. Coppel, S. Pearson. D. McCreery. G. Hill (Sub., A. Crimes).

in the fading

results greatly assisted Manchester City.

Several clubs as well as Liverpool will be playing second leg European matches this week and the team with the least chance of success are Manchester United, 4—0 down after visiting Oporto in the Cup Winners' Cup. United's third successive defeat, this time against Aston Villa, raised more doubts about their ability to be effective when two or three of their regular team are unavailable. Villa, though, needed a good victory before going to Poland to meet Gornik Zabrze.

On the broader World Cup stage Poland became the eighth country to qualify for the World Cup final competition in Argentian next summer despite only drawing with Portugal, Hungary are also in a strong position, having beaten Bolivia 6—0 in the first part of a play-off in Budapest. The known qualifiers are: Scouling to the strong position, the strong position qualities are: Scouling to the strong position, the known qualifiers are: Scouling the strong position the strong position quality and the strong position the strong position and the The known qualifiers are: Scouland, Netherlands, Poland, West

Germany, Brazif, Peru, Mexico, Sweden, Austria and the hosts,

### Hilaire's vision is

By Geoffrey Green
If a country is said to get a government it deserves it probably also gets the football it deserves.
That was one's feelings at the end

goals, 1—1, and in bookings, two apiece.

Although most of the action was predictable enough even for a babe in arms to follow, a noisy 25,000 crowd, uplifted by some of the usual obscene chants, seemed to enjoy it all in typical Saturday afterdoon style. It was the type of industrial football which drew the strictures at a press huncheon the strictures at a press luncheon in midweek of Enzo Bearzot, the Italian manager, who had come here from seeing the Netherlands knock Belgium out of the World Cup at a stroll in Amsterdam.

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There is a genuine disappointment overseas that England are unlikely to reach Argentina next summer, but it is good that parts of our game should be criticized by thoughtful foreign observers. Perhaps it might produce a refreshed attitude within these shores where too often the natural instincts and skills of young players are hammered out of existence at the beginning by a system which above all glorifies speed, work-rate, grit and determination. No doubt it is a cry in the wilderness but someone, some day, may listen and do something. The main refreshment of the afternoon came with the liquid movements of the young Crystal Palace forward Vincent Hilaire, born in London but with the expressive talents of the negro. Moving on pointed tread he at least offered variety and charm as he stood apart from all the head-on challenge. He created the Palace goal inside the opening four minutes and might have won the match by half time before Charlton mounted their counteratick after the interval.

There it was—an afternoon of bursting lungs, pounding lens

There it was an afternoon of bursting lungs, pounding legs and many a scything tackle from the rear. This no doubt is what the customer pays to see as he lets off steam before returning to the chores of home. The visious from the Valley was a second to the chores of home. lets off steam before returning to the chores of home. The visitors from the Valley were happy with the draw they finally deserved after compressing Palace into defence at the change of ends. It was a result that seemed unlikely after Palace's promising start when Hilaire's footwork and deep cross from the left was headed back by Swindiehurst for Chatterton to nod home.

Hilaire's control and vision, with the adventurous Sausom in support, caused numerous problems and Palace could have been two ahead on the stroke of balf time when Swindiehurst headed Sansom's centre on to Wood's crossbar.

Charlton, however, were by no means finished. Tydeman's long legs kept them going; Powell hit the Palace bar early in the second half and justice was done when Gritt shot the equalizer from Pescock's pass.

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# refreshing

of a typically robust south London derby between Crystal Palace and Chariron Athletic at Selharst Park which ended all square both in goals, 1—1, and in bookings, two

another for Hyde Park.

MOSELEY: C. Meanwell: A. Thomas,
M. K. Swain. B. J. Corloss, P. Beddoes, M. J. Cooper. C. J. Gilford. T.
R. Fidd. B. No. C. W. N. Greav N.
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CARDIEF: G. Dattle. C. Camiller.
D. Barry. D. Bull. C. Camiller.
D. Barry. D. Williams. B. C.
Nelmes, A. Phillips, D. Liewellyn. I.
R. Hobinson. H. Jones. R. Lane, S.
Lane, R. Dudley-Jones.
Helere: J. D. Moore (Loterstorshire).

Ivory Coast denial Abidian, Oct 29.—Gervais Coffie, the Ivory Coast rugby federation president denied reports that an Ivory Coast XV would shortly tour South Africa.—Agence France-Presse.

#### Rugby Union

# turning point for

By Gordon Alian
Moseley are still unbeaten after
14 matches, but during the first
half at the Reddings on Saturday
their retord was in some danger.
Elliott, one of Cardiff's centres.

their record was in some anger. Elliotr, one of Cardiff's centres, scored a try between the possa in the second minute, while the Moseley defence slumbered, and many a local citizen in the large and noisy crowd must have had forchodings.

They need not have worried, even when Cardiff led 9-6 at half time. Nearly all the pressure in the first half came from Cardiff, but Moseley absorbed it like the disciplined team they are, applied the pressure themselves in the second half, and won a hard, intense game by a goal and four pensity goals (18 points) to a goal and a pensity goal (9). It is their third victory over a Welsh club this season. They had already bearen Swansea and Aberaron. Next Saturday they play Newport beaten Swansea and Aberavon.
Next Saturday they play Newport
and a week later London Welsh.
After their aberration in the
second minute, Moseley's tackling
was sound. They prevented two
Cardiff tries just before half time,
though in one case they might
not have done so if the wing had
been Geraid Davies instead of
Bolland. The Cardiff backs were
stereotyped. In the forwards,
Moseley matched Cardiff everywhere except the rucks. Moselcy matched Cardiff everywhere except the rucks.

There was a great deal of kicking by the half backs, not all of
it intelligently directed. Perhaps
Cooper's was the most effective
because he gave the ball more air
than the others. Brymor
Williams was sharp and keen until
the last quarter. Then he and
Cardiff realized they were not
going to win and a certain raggedness crept into their play.

The turning point was Cooper's
ry 10 minutes after half time,
when the score was 9—9. It was
the sort of snap try that often
happens in matches as competitive
as this. He intercepted a kick by
Barry in the Moselcy half and held
off two close pursuers to score

Barry in the Moseley half and held off two close pursuers to score between the posts. Meanwell, who also kicked four penalties, converted. Barry converted Elliott's try for Cardiff and kicked a penalty. Penalties were numerous. Cardiff gare away several for commenting on the referee's decisions—a clear case of carrying the right to free speech too far. There is one law for the rugby field and another for Hyde Park.

MOSELEY: C. Moangell: A. Thomas.

### Cooper's try White rose poses thorny problem for the county champions

Rugby. Correspondent

The county champions, Lanca-shire, came unstuck at Bradford shire, came unstuck at Bradford on Saturday when Yorkshire, not for the first time and surely not the last, defeated them, against all the odds, by a dropped goal and three penalty goals (12pis) to a dropped goal and a magnetic first time and a my (7). There can be few pleasures more satisfying for rugby types than to knock out that other lot from across the Pennines, and they will now be cocks of the Northern group if they can win their last two games, both of them away, against Northumberland and Cheshire. Next Saturday's contest, at Gosforth, looks a crucial one.

It was a fair result because at Gosforth, looks a crucial one. It was a fair result because Yorkshire had the resilience up front to recover well from an unpromising start when facing the wind and, at the finish, the defensive qualities to hold off some fierce Lancashire pressure. Their key figures were Dowson, captain and inspiration at No 8, and Old, sereme and authoritative at stand-off half, who kicked all but three of their points and brought his tally, in three county games, to 41 out of 53.

Lancashire began with a flourish games, to 41 out of 53.

Lancashire began with a flourish at close quarters but, clearly perplexed by the frequency of the whistle as well as by the reasons behind it, subsequently spent a frustrating afternoon with its final disaster a strike against the head on Yorkshire's line.

It was not difficult afterwards to confirm the belief of both teams that Mr Williams had killed teams that Air williams had killed the flow of the contest with what they regarded as some "niggly" decisions, and had too often failed to play the advantage law. Lancashire, none the less, had chances enough to succeed, and it should soon have been apparent

shire's defence the speed and strength of Carleton on one wing and the swift, more subtle qualities of Siemen un the other could achieve useful dividends. achieve useful dividends.

Unhappily, the Lancashire midtield, suffered a nasty attack of
hiccups, the passing too often
being abysmally poor, and sometimes the handling as well. Carfoot
did not help matters by spinning
out a service that was not consistently accurate and, even when
it was on target. Horton usually

it was on target. Horton usually took it standing still. It is more difficult for a standoff to time his run on to a long service, but Horton had one of those days when the pressure of events, as well as that of the opposition, left him looking less than calm The Yorkshire flankers, Daven-

port and Higgins, got through much useful speiling and cover de-feace. Yorkshire's abbreviated lineouts, mostly using only White and Dowson, proved increasingly effec-tive. Life in the tight was a harder struggle, and never more so than at the start, when Lancashire's pack exuded confidence and strength.

A drop-shot by Horma behind a

A drop-shot by Horton beldind a scrummage rebounded from a post but he then made no mistake behind the forward drive that followed. Then another phalmts by the Lancashire pack buildozed over the Yorkshire line for a try by Creed, and all the pundits who had predicted comfortable victory for the Red Rose purrous with self-satisfaction. However, the writing was on the wall for Lancashire before the interval, by which time Old had kicked two penalty goals, one of them from penalty goals, one of them from 45 yards into the wind to reduce Yorkshire's leeway to one point. Less than 15 minutes into the

second half Yorkshire established second half Yorkshire established their winning lead. Having hit is post with an easy penalty, for late tackle by Neary, Old had no difficulty in landing another from 50 yards. Then he missed a further attempt, but Gullick was apprehended for a little knock on behind his goal-line and, from the secondary of the Marchell. the scrummage five. Maxwell dropped a goal when Orum's service sailed—not by design—some way behind his stand-off half.

way behind his stand-off half.

From now on, it was all Lancashire bafilement or Yorkshire counter-sallies. Gullick sliced a Lancashire penalty from dead in front of the posts, Horton likewise a drop shot from almost as close. Bond spoiled a good break with a poor pass. Creed could not quite put in Moss for a try at the end of a powerful gallop by Carleton. And, finally, Neary and Carfoot both came within a whisker of scoring from forward drives.

VORKSHIRE: D. Caplan (Headingley): D. Thompson (Morley): D.
Cardus (Roundhay): A. Maywell (Headingley): N. Bonnot (Wakelind): A.
Old (Sheffield): I. Orum (Roundhay):
D. Ashton (Morley): P. Hr"schko
(Wakefield): J. Bell (Middlesbrough):
M. Carge (Sheffield): Sub. J. Billlinion (Heading): D. White
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M. Carfelon (Orrell): W. Lyon (Orrell):
J. Carfelon (Orrell): W. Lyon (Orrell):
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(Liverpool): J. Rorbon (Bath & Carfoo): Materioo: T. Blackbuch
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(Wakefield): R. Creed (Sale)
A. Tricker (Sale): R. Creed (Sale)
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A. Beoffield: P. Mogs (Orrell): A. Nerry
(Brughlon Park).
Referer: D. J. Williams (NottinghamShee, Lincolnshire and Derbyshire)

Northern division

### Saracens almost breach the wall

Saracens have never beaten Leicester. Their prospects of doing so at Southgate on Saturday did not seem bright as they had conceded 54 points in their last two games. However, it was Leicester who were happy to settle for a draw. 19—19, two goals, a try and a penalty apiece. a penalty apiece.

There was a good crowd to see the fun. In the stand you could hardly put a sabre blade between the shoulders. Both sides were given a raphurous ovation at no-side.

Leicester welcomed back Peter Wheeler for his first game for the Tigers since the Lions tour of New Zesland, and Hare. But the latter was outshone at full back by Tony Smith, who was pre-ferred to Malcolm Phillips and was one of several new faces for

Saraceus.

scrummage near the line and went over. Croydon converted and landed a penalty 10 minutes later. landed a penalty 10 minutes later. Without showing much conviction, Leicester managed to square the match before half-time: a penalty by Hare and rry on the right by Duggad after McMichael and Hare had broken through the middle. Hare converted. Saracens had enjoyed a hefty ferritorial advantage in the tirst half. Their forwards held their own in the tight and at the lineown in the tight and at the line-out, but Leicester won or stilled some crucial second phase posses-sion where Saracens failed to ex-ploit the direct running and shrewd kicking of their backs, notably Croydon and Moody, a newcomer from Gloucester at stand-off half.

In the second half, there was no break in the excitement, al-Saraceus.

Saraceus played fast, open rugby from the start and they did not relect. Leicester were rocked back on their heels and three times they had to come from behind to level the scores.

Early pressure by Saraceus was rewarded in the fifteenth minute with a try by their captain, Don

thoughtful performance: it seems that England have a comparative wealth of promising scrum halves, but a dearth of stand-off halves. Neither of these last rwo tries was converted and from Saracens' restart, Hare sliced a touch kick, Saracens won the lineout and Smith came into the attack for a try which Croydon converted. Leicester refused to accept defeat and scored an astonishing try which they began behind their cwn posts, Barbarian-style.

Duggan was set free on the right

posts, Barbarian-style.

Duggan was set free on the right and took play to the 10-yard line before finding Hare on his left. The ball was moved inside to Mcmichael, who plunged joyfully between the posts after a 40-yard dash. Hare tied up the match with a conversion and might have stolen the game for Leicester as Saracens flagged towards the end, but two droos shots went wide. drops shots went wide,

SARACEMS: A. Smith: I. Whitele
I. Smithers, D. Crevdon, N. Benn
R. Moody, S. Dowling: S. Ausa
S. John, R. Fatrichh, P. Holden,
Jaccak, A. Keay, D. Harrigan,
Williams. LEICESTER: W. Hare; J. Puggan B. Hall. P. Dodge, R. Barker; R. Mc Michael, S. Kennay; R. Needham, P. Wheeler, S. Wedfran, N. Josee, A. Hazlerigg, J., Smith, G. Ader, S. Johnson,

McKibbin (London Irish) is tackled in possession.

### Scottish and Irish settle things the English way

as the minutes ticked into injury time. "Only the English think a draw is a result." draw is a result."

The call went unanswered. So London Irish and London Scottish drew a shuddering clash with a penalty goal (3 pts) apiece at Sunbury on Saturday. And this English observer considers it not only a result but a fair one.

The Irish forwards played throughout with great drive, piling into the rucks like bargain hunters when the doors are unlocked. throughout with great drive, plling into the rucks like bargain hunters when the doors are unlocked on a sale. In the lineouts the perennial Kennedy gained a lot of ball for his team by aiming at Webster, with either Hogan or Jones to collect the rebound.

The Scottish pack, however, were not in a yielding mood. The more the lirkh put on the pressure the firmer was their response. And, of course, they had McHarg to reply with almost a solo effort at the lineouts, and the positional sense that almost gained him a try from Lawson's inside pass in the first half, and possibly saved one from Leopold's attacking kick in the second, after Macneb had been caught by Alaistair Mc-Kibbin.

Having two fine back rows in action meant inevitably that the chances for the outsides were limited. Even so, we were treated to a first-class display of scrumhalf play by Lawson, though the

By Michael Hardy Irish probably think that Frost "Come on, let's have a score", played just as well. However, they tried the voice from the stand had another undisputed live wire at centre in McKibbin, who looked the man most likely to get through if anyone was going to. He kicked their penalty goal. Scottish, for their part, had the keen tackling of their own cen-tres, Biggar, making a welcome reappearance in the first team, and Friell.

reappearance in the first team, and Friell.

Lawson's quickness on the ball, his tactical kicking and his sharp passing—too sharp sometimes, as when he earned himself a friendly cuff from McHarg—were masterly. So it was a pity he could not resist going for a high ball that should have been Garnham's with the result that both of them missed it.

If the Irish could claim to have been deprived of White and Condon, on duty for Munster, Scottish could point to the marked effect on their game of the absence of the injured Wilson. Gillespie kicked their penalty goal from nearly 50 yards and hit the outside of a post with another long shot, but his kicking was often more of a handicap than an asset.

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LONDON SCOTTISH: H. Garnham;
J. Macnab, A. G. Biggar, A. P. rieli, G. A. Kelly: D. A. Gillespie, L. M. Lawson; D. J. Fairbern, D. L. Pickering, J. A. Fraser, P. R. (ay. A. F. McHarg, M. A. Biggar, R. G. Pratt, A. A. Biewart, Referee: D. Turner (London).

#### Weekend results and tables Second division

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All Blacks made to work hard for victory

Lyons, Oct 29.—The New Zealand All Blacks were given a trugh battle here today in the second march of their tour, narrowly bearing a French regional selection 12-10. The All Blacks, who had impressed with a 45-3 victory in their opening match against another French selection, met fierce opposition from a pack led by Cholley and Paparemborde, two internationals.

The All Blacks were forced on to the defence, and struggled to get their forwards moving. Ferrou scored the French selection's only try in the fourteenth minute, but the All Blacks equalized when Ford went over the line seven minutes later.

Ponumier put his team ahead

Ponmier put his team ahead 7-4 in the twenty-fourth minute with a penalty kick, a lead the French held at half-time. The All Blacks were hack in front one minute after the interval with a try by Williams, but the French pres-sure was still strong and New Zealand had to fight hard to keep their opponents at bay. The French appeared to have clinched victory when they took the lead in the seventy-sixth minute with another penalty kick by Pommier, but New Zealand answered with a try by Ford two minutes from time.

ALL BLACKS: Williams: S. Wilson, Taylor, Robertson, Fard; Bruce, Donaldson; Mourie, Secar, Myrrs, Haden, Liver, G. Knight, Dalton, Johnstone, FRENCH, SELECTION: Pommier: Ferrow, Lalarge, Gilles, Demane; Servien, Gallion; Verdoulet, Derrien, Coulsie, Allion, Sappa, Paparemborde, Purche, Cholley.—Rauter.

Cumbria unchanged Cumbria, still seeking a win after three defeats in the Northern division of the county regby championship, have retained the side who were heavily defeated by Cheshire for their match with Durham at Penrith on Saturday. Rugby results and tables County championship

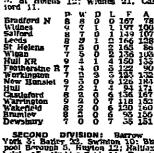
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Ninth successive triumph for Gloucestershire

Gloucestershire won the south western group of the County Championship for the minth successive season by beating Cornwall on Saturday. Gloucestershire are a powerful side and they showed this by wiping out a three-point advantage opened up by Cornwall 13 minutes into the second half. They ran riot with five tries, three of them from Moggs, and fimished comfortable winners by 35 points to 13.

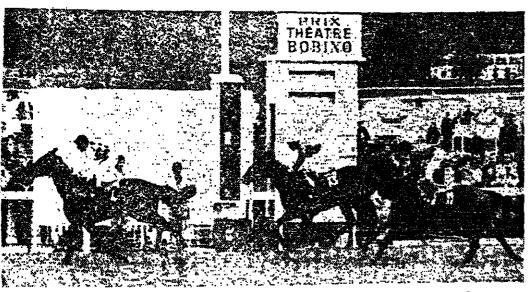
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Northampton have to thank their forwards for victory at Grange Road, where the Saints came from behind to heat Cambridge University 18—15. The Cambridge backs dominated the first balf to lead 12—0 and when the Irish international scrum half Robbic kicked a penalty soon after the restart they were 15 after the restart they were 15 points up and the first win this term in the more serious fixtures looked to be well on the way. But there followed four tries for Northampton, from Cannon, Poole, Carter and Bignell, and Carter converted one

converted one.

Coventry also showed their powers of recovery in beating Blackheath after Blackheath had opened up a 13—3 lead. Rossborough was in good kicking form again as he lended four penalties and a conversion.



Rex Magna comes home clear of Trillion and Dunfermline in the Prix Royal-Oak.

## French pair thwart Dunfermline

From Desmond Stoneham French Racing Correspondent

Paris, Oct 30 Rex Magna returned to his best form to win today's Prix Royal Oak (French St Leger) from Trillion and Dunfermline, but François Boutin, the trainer, had to explain the colt's vashy improved performance to the stewards shortly after the race. Just two weeks ago Rex Magna finished out of the first six behind his stable companions. Monseignour, in the Prix du

in the Prix du Conseil de Paris.

Boutin explained that Rex
Magna had fractured a connou bone at Chantilly after winning the Prix Greffulhe in April and had needed time to flud his best form. That fact together with a change of factics and going in today's race were accepted by the stewards as a satisfectory explana-tion for the turnabout in the form of Rex Magna. Boutin hopes that the colt will, next year, comest top events at one and a half miles and the Chantilly trainer already

Geirge VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot. Dunfermiine, who because of fog and engine trouble had to endure an 11 hour journey from England, ran a thoroughly genuine race and was probably not entirely suited by today's soft going. Dunfermiine will, however, he given the chance to have her revenge next season as the filly will be kept in training and her likely targets are the Yorkshire Cup followed by the Hardwicke Stakes, the King George VI and the Prix de l'Arc de Trioumphe.

In winning on Rex Magna,

de l'Arc de Triomphe.

In winning on Rex Magna, Philippe Paquet was landing his 100th winner of the season and is now just three victories behind Yves Saint-Martin in the French jockeys table. With Saint-Martin off to Japan next month it looks likely that Paquet will be this year's French champion. The two jockeys meet in next Saturday's Washington DC International at Lautel Park, where Paquet rides Monseigneur and Saint-Martin Crow.

and the Chantilly trainer already Lester Piggott won the long has his eyes set on the King distance Prix Gladiateur on John

Cherry, but had to survive a some-witat frivolous objection from Bill Pyers, who rode the second past the post, Knight Templar. The even-money favourite, Buckskin, ran a tired sort of race and finished in third position.

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### Boldboy crowns record season for most popular partnership

By Michael Seely

Dick Hern, whose Dunfermline failed gallantly in the French St leger yesterday, ended his assault on the top English prizes on a trimaphant note at Haydock Park on Saturday. Boldboy won his first race at Newmarket back in April and yet there he was in Lancashire at the end of October Ryan Price his second valuable big 2s a bull.

straight. At this point Aspect's ment of 55 horses in only his backers were counting their win-second season. The Newmarket trainer's placing of those progressive three-year-olds Better distance Aspect came off the 10 races has been the highlight of his year.

Next Saturday Taffy Thomas will ride Hastings-Bass's Salicloth in the November Handicap. Salicloth big 2s a bull.

big as a bull.

The trainer's judgment in per-suading Lady Beaverbrook to let suading Lady Reaverbrook to let the seven-year-old have just one more race was vindicated in no uncertain fashion as William Carson rode this wonderful old horse to an unchallenged two and a half length victory over Hillan-dale in the Vernon's Sprint Cupdale in the Vernon's Sprint Cup-Boldboy's pillar to post victory lifted the geiding's earnings to £89,509. Hern and Carson com-pleted a double when the dynamic little Scot punched Carrigeen home to a decisive win in the Conclusion Handicap. A record 75 winners have now been sent out from West listey this season, col-lecting their owners over £325,000 in prize money.

The stable's success has been

The stable's success has been one of the most satisfactory of 1977, featuring as it has a partner-ship between two of the most popular characters in racing. The contrast in their personalines is striking. Hern is an absorbed and striking. Hern is an absorbed and dedicated figure on the racecourse, his attention concentrated completely on the task in hand with his acute sense of humour and firm being kept in check until the day's business is over.

Carson, on the other hand, is a complete extrovert. He loves the limelight and makes no bones about it. His little fig of triumph in the paddock when going out to ride Tartan Pimpernel after Dunfermline's St. Leger victory to ride Tartan Pimpernel after Dunfermline's St Leger victory was a perfect expression of everyone's relief after the lengthy post-race inquiry.

Carson's followers knew their fate in the Morecambe Handicap a long way from home as Man of Harlech was beaten early in the

Carriage Way's victory gave Ryan Price his second valuable handicap win of the meeting, Weth Nan having landed a gamble in the Sanyo Handicap here on Priday. Stable hopes are also high but Gale Bridge can wind up Findon's season in style by repeating her last nearly shumph. repeating her last wear's triumph in the William Hill's November Handicap at Doncaster on Satur-

There is no doubt that Aspect is chockful of ability, but his energies have to be conserved uptil the final 100 yards. It was not Eric Eldin's fault on Sahnday, as the colt had been able to see daylight for the last half mile and there was no chance of covering him up for a spectacular late burst.

Newmarker's two main races, the Potter Trophy and the Artie Edwards Memorial Handicap fell to two talented, young trainers, Bill Watts and William Hastings-Bass. In the Potter Nursery, Watts's 17-year-old apprentice, Alan Mercer, shot Single Gal four lengths clear racing into the dip. On the final climb Greville Starker and Salinity were saining Starkey and Salinity were gaining with every stride but the post came just in time for Single Gal. The Middleham trainer is just £1,200 short of topping the £1,200 short of topping the £1,000 mark for the first time in his career.

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The late Mr Edwards would have been delighted by Shuffling's success in his memorial race and that shrewd judge had already formed a high opinion of Hastings-Bass's ability. That high opinion is shared by others, as Iau Balding's brother-in-law will start next season with a full comple-

Lingfield Park programme

2.0 TOWER STEEPLECHASE (Div I: £608: 2m)

3.30 NEASDEN HURDLE (Handicap: £586: 2m)

4.0 TOWER STEEPLECHASE (Div 2 : £613 : 2m)

3.30 NEASDEN HURDLE (Handicap: 2586; 2m)

3 Optida Star of the Arctic (D), D. Morley, 6-11-2 B. R. Davies, 6-10-4

5 101- Ramblik (D), F. Winter, 5-10-15 J. Francome 110499- Ring Commander, S. Mellon, 7-10-11 P. Mitchell, 6-10-11 P. Mitchell, 6-10-12 Invergative (D), D. Barons, 6-10-6 P. Mitchell, 6-10-12 Invergative (D), D. Barons, 6-10-6 P. Cady 19 160-022 Invergative (D), J. Schlin, 7-10-0 J. Schlin, 20 00:0022 Glanield, M. Bolton, 5-10-0 R. Rowell 21 1200-4 Jack Jiggs (D), B. Wise, 5-10-0 R. Rowell 22 00-5 Subaltarin, B. Shaw, 5-10-0 M. A. Wison 100-50 Ramblik, 3-1 Star of the Arctic 5-1 Friston Mill 12-2 Bethree, 8-1 Invergarie, 10-1 King Commander, 14-1 Southern Daring, 20-1 others.

win the Hasings-Rass y Santoni in the November Hamicap. Sail-cloth, who ran so well when heaten by Lochranza at York earlier this month after an absence of over three months from the racecourse, has been from the racecourse, has been well backed to win the last big race of the season.

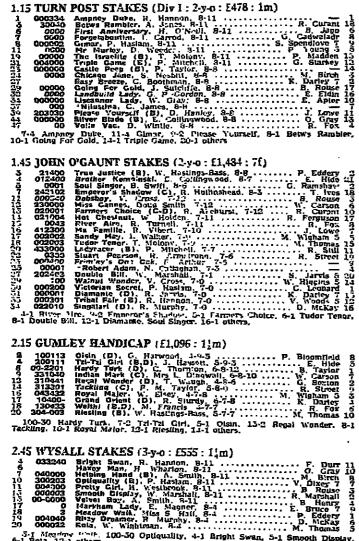
The three-year-old has been pleasing his trainer with his latest work, but \$-1 is a short enough price at this stage considering that Thomas will have to carry several pounds over-weight if the weights are not raised. The rain that is falling at present will be all to the advantage of Sail-cloth and Gale Bridge and against cloth and Gale Bridge and against the gallant Sea Pigeoz in his attempt to defy 9st 6th.

Eric Barber, president of the Northern Bookmakers' Protection Association, addressing members at the fifty-third annual meeting at Selby Fork Junction yesterday, issued a statement: "One activity that can seniously affect the starting price is the laying of bets by people who are not operating on the course in bookmakers' pitches, but are walking around the ring laying bets at prices above those ruling in the ring itself."

"This problem was tacked a vear or two ago and at that time it was thought that the steps taken would prevent any such activity in the future. It now seems that there has been a big increase in this type of illegal betting and we are shortly to have a meeting in London on November.

STATE OF GOING (official) Leicester: Firm, Ling/feld Park: Good Tomorrow: Sedgefield: Firm.

#### Leicester programme



3.15 FLECKNEY STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £847: 5f)
3 000022 Green Review, D. Kelih, 8-11
4 0000 Harcom Lady (B), N. Adam, 8-11
5 040 Ommodest Miss, R. Hollmshead, 8-12
6 00 Jade Shincas, D. Hunter, 8-11
9 00030d Jan Gay (2), R. Armyinge, 8-11 Rackets

### The man left out in the cold turns heat on Angus

Menday 10-15, 100-30 Optiquality, 4-1 Bright Swan, 5-1 ota, 12-1 others.

By Our Rackets Correspondent

William Boone succeeded at his third attempt in beating Howard Angus in the Manchester Good Racquet rackets final yesterday. The match, which was scored 13—2, 15—3, 15—3, was a tour de force, as it is some years since Angus lost a match in this event, and a long time since he went down so conclusively.

Only once, when he led 7—3 in the second game, did Angus look as if he might handle his powerful and busiling adversary whose hitting and serving were, for the most part, confident and remorseless. On the whole Angus tended to recreat rather than move into his shoots as if uncertain of his timing in this particular court. He served down court rather than into the side wall, and rarely attempted to Bigular court. He served down court rather than into the side wall, and rarely attempted to volley service. Even if volleying had cost him a few points it might have put Boone off his service length service length. Boone, the 1976 amateur cham-

pion, is now like the mon left out in the cold. To win this event in the cold. To win this event has been, among others, the current world champion, William Surtees, a Briton now working in New York and taking advantage of the new low airfares, and a former world champion. Angus. Yet Boone is excluded from the play-off for the right to challenge Surtees for the world thie. That affair will be played be-

Angus suffered his second defeat when he and Andrew Milne went down to the amateur champions, Boone and Thomas Pugh, 15—3, 15—13, 11-15, 10—15, 18—14. These two pairs have met several times and their contests have always gone the full distance. On this occasion, the winners, as in last year's amateur championship final, showed the ereater deter-

Motor cycling

### Sheene's success marred

Barry Sheene, the world champion, collected his third motor cycle racing title of the season and also broke the outright lap record at Brands Hatch yesterday. But his success was merred by a fatal accident in a supporting race. Piers Weld-Forester died in hospinal after falling off his Yamaha at high speed. Just over one hour later Sheene claimed the Shellsport staged a brilliant recovery from 1000 championship with a fighting third place in the 10-lap race part of the two-lay Gauloise international.

While Sheene battled for a high placing to make sure of collecting vital championship points, he was never in contention for the outright victory, which cluded him all weekend. Instead, the honours sent to John Williams, who although still recovering from injuries received in a recent crast, staged a brilliant recovery from fourth place. He overhauled Sheene plus the American Pat Hennen and the early pace-setter, stan Woods, on the way.



#### Leicester selections

1.15 Going for Gold. 1.45 Ma Famille. 2.15 Hardy Turk. 2.45 Bright Swan. 3.15 Jan Gay. 3.45 Ratamataz. 4.15 Lilah Helen.

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By Our Newmarket Correspondent 1.15 Landbuild Lady. 1.45 True Justice. 2.15 Regal Wonder. 2.45 Pretty Girl. 3.15 My Tiara. 3.45 Silvera. 4.15 Continental Divide.

#### Lingfield Park selections

By Our Racing Staff 1.30 Cartwright. 2.0 Desert Wind. 2.30 Jan Stewer. 3.0 Transformation. 3.30 King Commander. 4.0 Royal Stuart.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.30 Tragus. 3.30 Star of the Arctic. 4.0 Primer.

Rugby League

#### Bradford come from behind to keep record

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Rugby League's first division
leaders, Bradford Northern, maintained their 100 per cent league
record yesterday scoring their
righth successive win against
Warrington Town, but it was close
until the closing stages.

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Warrington, suffering badly from injuries both before and during the match, surprised Northern by taking a 12—7 lead after 50 minutes but then the new signing, Barends, a wing, dived over for a try and Mumby kicked a superb touchline goal to equalize. A dropped goal by Wolford put Northern a point ahead after 58 minutes but it was not until the last five minutes that they took a firm grip with tries by van Bellen and Mumby, both converted. Bellen a converted.

Featherstone R 5 St Helens 12 A second half burst by St Helens sent the league champions, Featherstone Rovers, plunging to their first home defeat for over 13 months. But Featherstone's weakened pack, which was further depleted when their international hooker, Bridges, went off injured in the 29th minute, made the visitors fight every inch of the

Trailing 0-5 at the interval, St Helens went to work in the second period to score tries through Pinner, Cunningham and Chisnall. Featherstone's livellest back, the scrum-half Fennell, was awarded a penalty try in the first half after being obstructed.

way.

Castleford 11 Widnes showed their style against Castleford at Naughton Park with a superb five try display. Poor handling and tacking allowed Castleford to take the lead play. Poor handing and taking allowed Castleford to take the lead through a try by Richardson and Lloyd converted. Widnes hit back in grand fashion with three tries in the space of 10 minutes by Woods, Hughes and Aspey.

Widnes struck again shortly after the researt when Wright scored and later in the half Wright clinched victory with a superb try. Woods kicked three goals. Castleford's only second half scores were three penalty goals by Lloyd.

For the record

Newmarket 1.45: 1, Parrot Fashion (10-1): 2. Unexpected (15-2): 3. Manhanger (20-1): 28 ran, Cassiar, Native Spring 11-4 jl Rev.

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(8-1): 7 ran.

1.50: 1. Confluence (6-4 fav): 2.

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(20-1): 7 ran.

3.0: 1. King Wease! (11-8 fav): 2.

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Chestinut (16:1): 10 ran.

3.50: 1. Kolligen Kangaree (5-2):
2. Milmingt (9-1 fav): 5. Bujpil (5-1):
12 ran.

Sandown Park

1.15; 1. No Defence walked over. 1.30; 1. Tiegle Grock (5-1; 2, Perambulate (10-1; 5, Tree Tangle (13-8 (av), 6 ran, Party Line did not [13.-3 [av]. 6 ran. Party Line fid not run.

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Dramatist (4-7); 3. Sirds Nest (2-1).

4 ran.

2.30: 1. Roman Holiday (7-2): 2.

No Gypsy (7-2): 3. Fine Rock (9-2): 4 ran.

4 ran. 6 ran.

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16-14. 15 ran. Freight Forwards (11-4). 6 ran.

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1.6-1: 3. Turbo (5-1): 1. 19 ran.
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run.
1.45: 1. Carriage Way (8-1): 2.
Musical Prince (25-1): 3. Aspect
(7-1): 13 ran. Vanadori 5-2 fev.
Main Event did not run.
2.15: 1. Serigma -(11-1): 2. Martial
Came (11-2): 3. Rocket Drive (10-1):
16 ran. Ziegy 5-2 fav.
2.35: 1. Boldboy (avens fav): 2.
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7 ran. King Song did not run.
3-13: 1. Maria Maneni (10-1): 2.

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Court of Justice of the **European Communities** 

### On the deportation of **EEC** nationals

and.

Pierre Boutheran (referred for pretiminary decision by the Mani-borough Street Magistrates' Court, London)

London)
Before the President, Judge H.
Kunscher, and Judges M. Sorensen,
G. Bosco, A. Donner, J. Mertens
de Wilmars, P. Pescatore, Lord
Meckenzie Stuart, A. O'Keeffe, A.
Touffait. Advocate-General Mr.
J. P. Warner.

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Facts:

By order of November 20, 1976, the Mariborough Street. Magismases' Court, Libraton, referred to the Court of Justice three questions concerning the interpretation of Article 48 of the Treaty and of certain provisions of Council Directive No. 64/221 EEC of February 25, 1964, on the coordination of special measures concerning the movement and residence of foreign astionals which are justified on grounds of public policy, public security or public health (Official Journel, English special edition 1963-1964, p117).

The questions arose within the context of proceedings against a French national who had been employed in the United Kingdom since May, 1975, and was found guisty in June, 1976, of unlewful possession of drugs, which is an office publishable under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.

On Jenuary 7, 1976, the defendant

On January 7, 1976, the defendant had pleaded guilty to an identical offence before another court and ind been conditionally discharged for 12 months.

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The Markhorough Street Magistrates' Court was minded to make a recommendation for deportation to the Secretary of State pursuant to its powers under Section 5(1) of the Immigration Act 1971 and the appropriate notice was served on the defendent, who, maintained, however, that Article 46 of the EEC Treaty and the provisions of Directive No 64/221 EEC, prevented such a recommendation from being made in that instance.

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As the national court considered that the action raised questions concerning the interpretation of Community law, it referred the matter to the Court of Justice under Article 177 of the Treaty. Indement :

The first question asks " whether The first question asks "whether a recommendation for deportation made by a national count of a member state to the executive authority of that state (such recommendation being persuasive but not binding on the executive authority) constitutes a "measure" within the meaning of Article 3(1) and (2) of directive No 64/ZZI EEC."

That question seeks to discover whether a court which, under national legislation, has jurisdiction to recommend to the executive authority the deportation of a national of another member state, such recommendation not being hinding on that anthority, must, when it does so, take into account the limitations resulting from the Treaty and from Directive No 64/221 on the exercise of the powers which, in that area, are reserved to the member states.

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The powers which, in that area, the previous criminal court, that question seeks to the court, that question seeks t mere "recommendation" by a national court can constitute a measure for the purposes of that

same directive. As regards the first aspect of this first question, Article 2 of Directive No 64/21 states that the directive relates to all "measures" (dispositions, Vorschriften, provvedimenti, bestemschriften, provvenment, bestem-melser, voorschriften) concerning entry into the territory, issue or renewal of residence permits or expulsion from their territory taken by member states on grounds of public policy, public security or public health.

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Under paragraphs (1) and (2) of Article 3 of that directive, "measures" (mesures, Massanahmen, provvediment, forholds, regier, maatregelen) taken on grounds of public policy or public security shall be based exclusively on the personal conduct of the individual concerned and previous criminal convictions shall not in themselves constitute grounds for

themselves constitute grounds for the taking of such measures. Aithough the Government of the United Kingdom declares that it accepts unreservedly that Para-graphs (1) and (2) of Article 3 are directly applicable and conferare directly applicable and confer-rights on nationals of member states to which the national courts must have regard, with the result that it is not open to a court of a member state to ignore those provisions on any matter coming before the court to which they are relevant, it submits that a judicial decision of a national court cannot constitute a "measure" within the meaning of the said Article 3.

the law to recommend in certain cases the deportation of a national of another member state.

When making such a recommendation, therefore, such a court must ensure that the directive is correctly applied and must take account of the kinits which it imposes on the action of the authorities in the member states.

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That finding is, moreover, in line with the point of view of the Government of the United Kingdom which "is not suggesting that it would be open to a court of a member state to ignore the provisions of Article 3(1) and (2) on any matter coming before the court to which the articles are relevant" but on the contrary accepts "that the provisions of those articles are directly applicable and confer rights on hatonals of member states to which the national courts must have regard".

As regards the second aspect of the first question, the Government of the United Kingdom submits not constitute a "measure" within the meaning of Article 3(1) and (2) of Directive No 64/221 and that only the subsequent decision of the Secretary of State For the purpose of the direc-tive, a "measure" is any action which affects the right of persons coming within the field of appli-cation of Article 48 to enter and reside freely in the member states under the same conditions as the nationals of the host state.

Within the context of the pro-cedure laid down by Section 3(6) of the Immigration Act 1971, the recommendation referred to in the question raised by the national court constitutes a necessary step. court constitutes a necessary step in the process of arriving at any decision to make a deportation order and is a necessary pre-regulate for such a decision.

Moreover, within the context of that procedure, its effect is to make it possible to deprive the person concerned of his liberty and its in its any agent one fact-

person to the content of the content of the content of instifying a subsequent decision by the executive authority to make a deportation order.

Such a recommendation, therefore, affects the right of tree movement and constitutes a "measure" within the meaning of Article 3 of the directive.

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The second question asks whether the wording of Article 3(2) of Directive No 64/221, namely first previous criminal convictions shall not in themselves' constitute grounds for the taking of measures based on public policy or public security means that previous criminal convictions are solely relevant in so far as they manifest a present or future propensity to act in a manner contrary to public policy or public security. Alternatively, the meaning to be attached to the expression in themselves in Article 3(2) of of Directive No 64/221".

According to the terms of the

on the fact alone of a previous conviction it is entitled to take into account the past con-duct of the defendant which re-suited in the previous conviction.

solved in the previous conviction.

The terms of Article 3(2) of the directive, which states that "previous criminal convictions shall not in themselves consultate grounds for the taking of such measures" must be understood as requiring the national authorities to carry out a specific appraisal from the point of view of the interests inherent in protecting the requirements of public policy, which does not necessarily coincide with the appraisals which formed the basis of the criminal conviction.

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The existence of a previous criminal conviction can, therefore, only be taken into account in so far as the circumstances which gave rise to that conviction are evidence of personal conduct con-stituting a present threat to the requirements of public policy. requirements of public policy.
Although, in general; a finding that such a threat exists implies the existence in the individual concerned of a propensity to act in the same way in future, it is possible that past conduct alone may constitute such a threat to the requirements of public policy. the requirements of public pointy.

It is for the authorities and, where appropriate, for the national courts, to consider that question in each individual case in the light of the particular legal position of persons subject to Community law and of the fundamental nature of the principle of the free movement of persons.

The third question asks whether

provisions on any matter coming before the court or which the start at a judicial decision of a national account camor constitute as "measure" within the meaning of the said Article 3.

On that point the Government observes that the fact that the English text in both Articles 2 and 3 shows that it is inteeded to have the same meaning in each case and that it emerges from the first recital in the presmite to have the same meaning in each case and that it emerges from the first recital in the presmite to have the same meaning in each case and that it emerges from the first recital in the presmite to have the same meaning in each case and that it emerges from the first recital in the presmite to his work of the judiciary.

A comparison of the different language versions of the provisions of the judiciary.

A comparison of the different language versions of the provisions in question shows that with the exception of the Italian text all the other versions used different terms in each of the two articles, with the result that no legal continued to the first that the concept of "public policy" referred to five limitations of the purpose and present in the case of divergence between the versions the provisions in question must be interpreted by reference to the purpose and lence in the case of divergence between the versions the provision in question must be interpreted by reference to the purpose and general scheme of the rundown provided by the courts which might on the nationals from any exercise of the powers resulting from the exception relating to limitations justified on grounds is different traces of the process which may result in the adoption of a court which is required by the courts which might to public policy result in the adoption of a court which is required by the courts which might provided by

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### Are judges a political force in their own right?

The most recent outburst of overwhelming mass of circumanti-judge feeling on the part stances, he says, the judiciary of the left following decisions is placed constitutionally alongsuch as that of the House of Lords in the Tameside case the Government. They are an and the Court of Appeal in integral part of it. Gouriet, was, as usual countered with equally unrealistic and exaggerated comments by some defenders of the judici-

each side followed the traditional pattern. Those attacking the judges pointed to the fact that all but a handful of them came from the upper social and economic brackets, and educated at public schools and Oxbridge.

They listed the many decimade against the insions made against the which are seen by the terests of trade unions, students, political protesters, ary, from their conservative and class viewpoint, to be conservative and class viewpoint, to be conservative. squatters, comprehensive and class viewpoint, to be contributed who might broadly have an affinity to left-ofcentre politics.

The conclusion they drew was that judges, being conservative with a small and, practely, often with a large "C", showed bias in dealing with cases involving parties who had offended against the printhey themselves

The response took the form of emphasizing that the task of judges was solely to interpret the law as it stood. Politics did not enter into it. If the law such that a decision seemed to act against the rights of trade unions, that was the fault of the law, and not of the judges. It was for Parliament to change that law, not for the judges to bend it. Where judges did in fact "create" new law, they did so totally without any political

considerations,
Professor John Griffith of
the London School of Economics belongs to the camp that believes that judges are political and make political deci-sions. But he does not take the crude view that they show active bias or partiality. In-deed, he specifically acquits

The Politics of the Judiciary, published today, is a closely Nor does he believe that role played by judges. His thesis is based on the proposi-tion that judges have, "by their education and training and the pursuit of their profession as barristers, acquired a strikingly homogeneous collection of attitudes, beliefs and principles, which to them represents the public in-

That leads them to make decisions in which three main factors predominate: first, interests of the state, including its moral welfare, and the preservation of law and order, as being more important than the of the individual; secondly, the protection of property rights; and thirdly, unlifical views normally associawith the Conservative

Professor Griffith questions widely accepted view that the judiciary constitutes an independent force standing between government and auth-ority on the one side, and the individual on the other. In the

side, and not in opposition to,

It follows from that that judges will normally tend to support government, or autiority generally, and that the individual should not normally look too optimistically for help from the courts when he is in conflict with authority. There are, however,

tions, and it is here that the political element plays a subtantial part. Professor Griffith argues that judges are more likely to support the individual when he appears to be opposing political policies It is therefore inevitable that ney will favour—sometimes

unduly—the containment of trade union power, the main tenance of property rights (however unfair in social terms), the morality of the Church and the forces of law.

On that analysis, the lack of reluctance which the courts show in striking down decisions made by ministers and depart ments during Labour adminis-trations, compared with the few cases in which they have decided against Conservative political interests, is explicable. Professor Griffith puts it no higher than that "Labour gov-ernments are more likely than Conservative governments to act in ways which offend the

judicial view of where the pub-lic interest lies.". It may come as a disappointment to those who accept his general argument that it leads him to the conclusion that a of Rights for Britain, d on the European based on the European Convention on Human Rights, would not be desirable. It is difficult to see how the we fare of the individual would be promoted by having some of the convention's provisions interpreted by the judiciary of

udicial sense of rightness, the

grammar and comprehensive schoolboys, graduating at redbrick or new glass universities, becoming barristers, and then judges, would make the judiciary necessarily less conserva-

"The years in practice and the middle-aged affluence would remove any aberration in political outlook." Moreover, unorthodoxy in political opinion would anyway, in practice, be a certain disqualifi-cation for appointment as a

judge. Professor Griffith foes not attempt to provide any facile solutions to remedy the situa-tion he has described. The strength of his book is that it presents in detail, cogently and without hysteria, a controversial view on a subject dis-cussion of which has been weight up to now.

Marcel Berlins

The Politics of the Judiciary. J. A. G. Griffith, Fontana, 5: 25.

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### Lord Chalfont

# A last chance for South Africans to prove that reason is only asleep, not dead

Mr Stephen Biko slipped and fell in his prison cell, sustained severe damage to his head and kidneys, and died, in spite of the frantic efforts of his guards to save his life. We shall not know the truth until the inquest on his death is completedgiven the apparently psychotic determination of the South African Government to silence opposition at all costs, we may not even know it then.

It gives me no pleasure to write these words, or those which follow, as I have been one of those who believed that, with a measure of sympathy and imaginative statesmanship from the rest of the world, Mr Vorster, in spite of his apparent intransigence, would eventually be persuaded to modify some of the more offensive aspects of his intolerable regime. It is true to say that the rest of the world has shown neither sympathy nor imaginative states-

The United States has made South Africa the target of some of the most bizarre and insensitive exercises in diplomatic ineptitude since Mr Khrushchev took his shoes off in the United Nations, and the British Government has traduced the unforthe ludicrously irresponsible parrot-cry of one-man-one-vote. No one who knows suything at all about South Africa really believes that universal suffrage on the Westminster pattern is relevant to its problems, or that even if it were, the Afrikaners have the remotest intention of allowing it, except over their dead bodies.

It was inevitable that this display of sanctimonious and humbug by the West would infuriate even the

a poison gas. The mood of the to speak and write are assailed.

Government was reflected in Men and women are thrown the words of one disenchanted political writer—there has always been a tendency among American Presidents to assume the role of Pontius Pilate when frustrated in their efforts to play the Messiah.

Yet, all that having been said, no amount of feeble-minded foreign meddling can explain or excuse the latest South African essay in government by fear. By closing down newspapers and organizations whose only crime has been to criticize and by putting into prison cells people whose only crime has been that they might criticize. Mr Vorster has made a cruel and bloody convulsion in his country almost inevitable, and has lost the few friends he still had in the western world. There are those who will say that this is how Mr Vorster

has always behaved, and that nothing much has changed, but this is to ignore the fact that until the recent bout of totalitarianism. South Africa had a press which, if not entirely unfettered, was at least not afraid to inquire and to criticize. Now it has not—and I know of no case of a country which has muzzled its press without eventually erasing all its other freedoms as well, Against this background Mr Vorster's claim to be a strong bastion against the spread of communism in Africa loses some of its appeal. It may be a valid claim, but the evil of communism lies not in the fact that it is based unon an alien and repugnant political philosophy or that it implies the practice of a perverse and ir private that if the major disastrous economic system: it discriminatory legislation did

It is, of course, entirely pos- Vorster's supporters. When I instrument of government, the sible, if somewhat unlikely, that was in Johannesburg a few days result is the systematical denial Mr Stephen Biko slipped and ego bitterness filled the air like of human rights, the freedom

into prison without trial, or on

conviction of crimes, which in a civilized community would be regarded as nothing worse than legitimate dissent. The secret police are behind every arrest and at the end of every vista is a gollaws, but no one who stands, however resolutely, against this atrocity should expect the gratifude or support the free world if, in doing he creates a wasteland of the human spirit which differs from communist totalitarianism only in its position on some theoretical political spectrum. For me, and I suspect for others who share my views on the politics of southern Africa, a line of some kind has been crossed. I remain a friend of the people of South

Africa, but not of a government which treats human dignity with cynical contempt to demonstrate its power and independence. Yet it may still not be too late to turn back. What is happening in South Africa might just conceivably be only the sleen of reason and not its ultimate

The one hope lies in those white South Africans, who once led me to believe that peaceful and compassionate change was at almost every level of national life. In the government itself there are men who, although they are now making the ritual noises of lazger-virility, privately realize that the present policies of racial discrimination are discredited and disastrous. One of them says quite frankly the lies in the demonstrable fact not exist, no modern South the that whenever a country African government would be Mr chooses communism as its mad enough to invent it.

the National Party in Parlia- di :. ment, there is a widespread gesure to see the end of the more offensive manifestations of apartheid, to liberalize the political system and to remove the more blatant social injustices. The white opposition, although to some extent irrele-

vant in the confrontation between the Afrikaner establishment and the black majority are unequivocally in favour of radical change It is, however, in the white

business community that the greatest force for change resides, such organizations as the Association of Chambers of Commerce, the Federated Chamber of Industries, the Afrikaanse Handelsinstitut and the Urban Foundation apply a steady and constant pressure for change in some of the main areas of racial discrimination— job reservation, educational segregation and the group areas Act which imposes rigid residential segregation and has given rise to the intractible problem of the urban black. problem of the businessmen openly attack those twin of the temple of apartheid—the Immorality Act and the Mixed Marriages

sexual relations or marriage. The motives of the businessmen are not entirely without an element of self-interesttheir aim is to restore the flow of foreign capital to both the public and private sectors of industry. Yet this does not invalidate their main argument which is that unless there are substantial moves in the direc tion of real political and social lence will isolate South Africa from its sources of foreign

Act, which forbid interracial

Among the backbenchers of of the country will wither and at this prospect, let them reflect

It may, of course, be too much to hope that, in the forthwill be translated into votes. They are, after all, held by an elike within the white establishment. The majority of Afrikaner vomers, including those farmers and urban workers who fear the effects of unrestricted black competition, are likely to support Mr Vorster without Question.

If, as seems likely, the National Party wins an overwhelming victory at the polls, it is not too difficult to write the script for the next act in the South African drama. The government's further assault on the basic freedoms of the country will have been seen to be endorsed and it will have a mandate for whatever further measures in that direction it sees fit to take. Already the United States has called for an arms embargo and it will not be long before there are dearms empargo and it wis interested be long before there are demands for the imposition of general sanctions, and the cessation of all trade with South Africa. In the ensuing economic crisis the racial confrontation will grow steadily more violent and irreversible. The Afrikaners will withdraw into their cher-ished lagger, and the vicious spiral of revolt and suppression will climb still further.

From its powerful political and military base, the present government may be able to survive, after a fashion, for many years, but they will be years of misery and bloodshed for South Africa, and they can have only one end-a terrible conflagration throughout the the bloody annihilation of its only effective and stable government.

Before the serried ranks of

what ir means, not only for South Africa, but for the free world as well. The strategic coming elections, these opinions realities have not changed simply because American foreign policy has suffered a para-lysis of the imagination and Mr Vorster has reached for the handcuffs. It needs to be said once again that South Africa is one of Britain's most important trading partners, that it owns a large share of the mineral resources upon which the pros-perity and security of the West depends, that its ports control the sea lanes which link the Indian Ocean to the South Atlantic and along which the vital supplies of Middle Eastern

oil reach Western Europe. If

South Africa collapses in chaos,

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we shall not escape the conse-I suppose it is too much to hope that the leaders of the West will be moved by these arguments, and indeed, in the light of Mr Vorsier's recent moves it is difficult to see how they can resist the political demands upon them to exert more and more economic pressure on this discredited regime. It is also too much to hope that the more enlightened white opinion in South Africa will be translated at the forthcoming elections into a substantial vote of no confidence in Mr Vorster. Certainly he cannot be defeated, but if all those who believe in real political and social reform were now to register their votes in such a way as to ceuse the National Party to seek a change of leadership, there might yet be some hope of avoiding what is beginning to look like inevitable disaster. If they are not represent to do this, they should

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prepared to do this, they should, at least, realize that this is

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#### John P Mackintosh

### Britain still has the image of a reluctant European The letter also virtually com-

letter to Mr Ronald Hayward, Secretary of the Labour Party, setting out the Government's policy towards the European Community was judged by politicians and the press almost entirely in terms of its impact on domestic disputes within the Labout Party; very few asked whether it furthered this real interests in whether it would country's Europe, improve our standing with our partners or whether the

attainable. Solely considered as a pre-emptive strike against the extreme opponents of Europe, the statement and its timing were adroit in that it divided the anti-Marketeers, took attention tive's much more open attack

The Prime Minister's recent on British membership and Parliament. But what Mr machinery less likely and so But there was a price to be

paid for avoiding a nasty after-noon's debate at Brighton and it is surprising that the Labour Party's Europeans (apart from Lord Thomson), the Liberals and most commentators seemed to think it a worthwhile bar-

They were prepared to accept the mere declaration that Britain was to abide by the referendum decision of 1975, together with some very critical comments and proposals for change, as adequate guidelines for Britain's future policy within the EEC The positive reasons for

Mr Callaghan were all in the field of foreign policy as the Prime Minister clearly values his frequent meetings and con-tacts with Chancellor Schmidt and the other European leaders. He also realizes that Britain's chief value to the United States is as a member of the Community and that there are some advantages in joint action, for instance at the Belerade conference and at the United Nations. Not a single internal or domestic advantage of membership was mentioned.

Then the letter set out the changes that would have to be negotiated if the EEC was to be moulded to suit British interests and if membership was to remain worth while.

First there should be no more powers for the European Parliament. Secondly, democratic control would have to be increased. This seems to contradict the first point and certainly the only way of improving demo-cratic control over the Comission is through the European central powers and government

prevented any call for with- Callaghan meant was that we would help to keep the Com-drawal. Callaghan meant was that we would help to keep the Com-would have to strengthen the munity a loose group of nation. House of Commons' powers to states. scrutinize European secondary legislation. To do this needs no action

by the Community—it entirely up to us. The problem is that the only way of exercis-ing effective scrutiny of the large number of detailed proposals emanating from Brussels is to ser up a series of Commons committees, with appropriate staff, specializing in agriculture, industry and regional policy including civil servants and

So far, the Government has refused to do this because it would be impossible to stop such committees using their powers to investigate the rela-tionship between EEC policies and what was happening in Whiteball. While democratic scrutiny of the Community's legislative proposals might be desirable, there is the greatest opposition to any spread of this process to cover domestic policy making. Then there were points about

each country exercising vigilance to ensure it could carry out its own policies of aiding declining industries and regions. There was a demand for an energy policy which would not affect Britain's North Sea oil interests and for a reform of the Common Agricultural Policy, with lower prices which

would end surplus production. Finally, there was the sentence that caused most annovance on the Continent, that the admission of Greece, Spain and Portugal was desirable because would make the growth of Though the statement prob-

ably is an accurate representation of the Prime Minister's views, it is not clear how far he intended the document to be taken as an actual programme of action, although it was at once accepted as such Labour's anti-Marketeers. Its weakness as a set of proposals comes out when it is re-

called that almost every point had already been listed in the held before the referendum. That damaging and pointless exercise should have demonstrated the futility of going to the member states brandishing this kind of shopping list. In any case, were we not led o believe that all these reforms" had been achieved

in the 1974-5 renegoriation? Curiously enough, the letter only claimed the Lome conven-tion as an achievement of the previous renegotiation, an agreement which would almost certainly have been signed in any case. It omitted both the one real gain, the limit on possible British payments to the Community, and the major loss which was the further decline in our standing in Europe as a consequence of making these unilateral demands the price of

continued membership. To repeat anything like this exercise now would be virtually impossible and yet one has the impression that the Foreign Secretary and other British representatives are thinking of nurting forward at least some of these demands. The sad thing is that on one or two of the more positive points, something

worth while could be achieved but not by proceeding in this On the Common Agricultural

Policy for instance, there is a potential coalition of the smaller powers who want Europe to have sensible common policies, together with pres-sure groups of consumers in the larger states who dislike the CAP. But to call for reform as part

of a general attack on the concept of a more united Europe is Instead, the Labour Foreign to unite all these forces against. Secretary can expect to be Britain. It shows a woeful lack asked at regular intervals what operate in Europe. The French often seek to safeguard their national interests but they do so in a manner which leaves no in the Community so that they do not unnecessarily alienate

Some may member states ought to under-stand the need for demarches on Community affairs, aimed not at them, but at some domestic political situation. But this letter was so negative that it roused anger among the Germans and general irritation clear what was gained. Here in Britain it seemed

significant for the Prime Minister to declare that we were in the Community to stay but there was never any real possibility of pulling out. Even such ardent anti-Marketeers as Mr Peter Shore and Mrs Castle recognized this. But what the statement did do was to intensify Britain's image as a reluctant European and also give the anti-Marketeers a list of points by reference to which they could reopen

reaction for any proposals for reaction for any proposals for monerary union which Mr Jenkins may float in the next few weeks, proposals which it might be well worth our while to consider very seriously. This applies also to the valuable suggestions for further integration in other areas of public the Mr. mittee under Sir Donald

MacDougall. and if the answer is "very little", the supplementary will be "and when, then, will you recommend withdrawal?"

Also, it may be a small point but on what general platform

can Labour candidates stand for the European Parliament? Will they say "elect me to an assembly which I am determined to keep in a powerless many

it used to be said (some what unfairly) that Ernest Bevin regarded the Soviet Union rather as if it were a breakand General Workers' Union a latter of the Transport It will be a great pity if

Brusin's most important area of foreign activity and the arena in which policies affecting so many of our internal affairs are mapped out is to be show in the struggle between the Parliamentary leadership and the National Executive of the Labour Party.

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### LEAPMAN IN AMERICA

9.09% the north coast of Jamaica, five women from St Louis, in holiday party gear, stood blindfolded on the sage by the dance floor. Behind them sat 10.98% five men with their trousers rolled above their knees. The women were led over to the men and instructed to feel 10.61% 1.00% their legs. The object was to 1.00% 10.61% identify which belonged to their husband or boyfriend. There were excited guffaws from the audience as one or 9.09% 9.85% 0.50%

two guessed wrong. Now read the first 11 words of the first paragraph again. This was not Butlin's holiday camp at Bognor Regis, nor even the hotel inglaterra on the Costa del Sol. It was Montego Bay, once among the most exclusive and costly resorts in the Caribbean, catering to wealthy and often elderly patrous who would stay for several weeks during the high winter season. They may never in their lives have stroked a knee in error. Certainly they are unlikely ever to have been to Sr. Louis. Jamaican hoteliers nostalgically call them the old clientele, or even the old elite. They have been a disappearing species for some time, but their departure from Jamaica was hastened by reports of violence and instability on the island, coinciding with a recession in the United States.

So the hoteliers and tourist authorities have had to think though, loved it, and had no of fresh ways of filling the beds. The solution they have many of them risited the down-found is in the package tour town area of Montego Bay, for market, which has only in the

In the Montego Beach Hotel on last year or two-several years behind Europe—begun to deve-lop in the United States-

Every weekend Air Jamaica flies hundred; of package tourists from St Louis, Toronto, Kansas City, Chicago and the like, many of them young single people, some on honeymoon and virtually all visiting the Caribbean for the first time. Representatives of German and Dutch travel agencies are now arriving to prepare to develop the European market.

Apart from the knee-stroking game, other enticements have been introduced for the benefit of the new young visitors, one of the hotels has inaugura-ted a "forget-me-not honey-moon park" in which honeymoon couples plant fruit trees, carefully numbered and regis-tered. When the trees begin to bear fruit, the couples are invited back to taste themforming, I suppose, a new "old elite" of their own.

The Montego Beach Hotel, where the 3t Louis group were staying, was built 25 years ago in the soacious and airy style which was then fashionable for tropical hotels, with tiled floors and not too effective air conditioning. The German tour clients, used to the modern, supercool glass-box style of hotel, would find it too primi-

The folks from St Louis, qualms about their safety. Not



shops are in or near the beach hotels. Those who did venture into the town itself did not feel threatened, though some expressed themselves appalled by the visible poverty.

The week of their tour coincided with the visit to Jamaica President Fidel Castro of Cuba. A few of the tourists were a bit worried by this, seeing it as a sign that Jamalca was about to "go communist". The United States itself may be working towards a rapprochement with Cuba, but word of that development has clearly been slow in reaching. St Louis, Still, they did not let it spoil their holiday.

For many of them, the tour has whetted their appetite for foreign travel to under-privi-

leged parts of the world. A woman who is a partner with her husband in an insurance agency told me: "I'm going to take the children to Europe next year, Frence and Italy and maybe England too. They've lived in America all their lives and they don't know what real poverty is. It'll be good for Dan Grammer, general man-

ager of the Montego Beach Hotel, welcomes the new breed of tourists. They have ensured that the hotel is fully booked during the high season (December to April) for the first time in several years. The RAF have now gone and

in their place have come large hotels and casings. To complete the delight of the visitors, the tour man maintained. 12 bar girls have been imported from

☐ Jamaica was included on the itinerary when early planning for the Queen's silver jubilee tours began in 1975. The origi-nal scheme was for her to open the parliaments of all the countries where she is head of state. In the event, three countries were omitted-Jamaica, Mauri-tius and Grenada. The first two were left out because they have . declared their intention of becoming republics. Grenada be-

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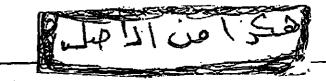
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### THE PATH OF SANCTIONS

The scope and duration of a mandatory embargo on arms for South Africa should emerge from the bargaining in the Security Council in a day or two. In the existing atmosphere a veto would only be practicable against outright irresponsibility. Britain and the United States are right to oppose too wide an extension of its terms, and to keep the period for its renewal as short as possible. The object of the resolution can only be psychological and moral: the embargo whatever its terms could not decisively affect South Africa's ability to control internal security. What the world is doing is to put South Africa's existing moral isolation on a new, institutional, basis. This is designed to influence white and non-white attitudes warning the whites that world disapprobation can proceed from words to deeds, and encouraging the non-whites to continue their resistance to the injustices and discrimination they suffer.

Because this is the mechanism of sanctions, they must be on a renewable basis, so that, if the South African Government shows some response, the prospect of lifting them exists; while if its present defiance persists the process can be extended in time and ambit. Lacking this flexibility sanctions justify the South African Government in telling its people that they are an act of war to be resisted indefinitely. On the contrary, the object must be to ensure continuing scrutiny, and to keep alive thereby the view, particularly among whites, that there is an alternative policy and it should be put for-ward.

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The magnitude of the Security Council's action cannot be ignored. It cannot be measured by its small military impact. Though the western powers seem to wish to avoid specifically invoking Article 39, under which the Security Council determines the question of the existence of a threat of international peace, the position under the charter is that adoption of sanctions against South Africa implies that it is a danger to international peace. For this neither North Korea in 1951 nor Rhodesia in 1966 offer precedents. An independent state at peace, the kepublic is only a threat inasmuch as its policies provoke possible attack. A government is seing condemned and sanctions invoked against it for its exclusively internal policies. This is a departure full of risk for everyone, including the United Nations itselt. Az reast it eruphasizes to South Africa that it has been designated as in a unique posi-

tion in the world community. The African states hope, after this breakthrough, to widen sanctions from arms and "grey areas" like equipment with military relevence, to the economic field. They wish to move from partial pressure to decisive moves inseparable from force. This will be rejected, but if the South African Government shows no willingness to change its repressive policies in the future the demand for additional instalments of pressure will become

bard to resist. Short of a blockade, South Africa can, however, survive foreseeable economic sanctions for years. They can only be

increments of pressure cumulatively to persuade the South Africans and their leaders that sooner or later they must change course-pressure from outside complementing and intensifying pressure from within. The cutting off of investments, a possible next step, would not cripple South Africa, which could retaliate with an embargo on the transfer of dividends and The oil sanction requires Iran's cooperation and international control over many multinational companies. Selective trade cuts would not be decisive. But all these measures might build up a sense in the Republic that there is no future on the present course and develop an atmosphere of change.

Britain's historically large investment in South Africa means that its people would suffer relatively more than others from participation in economic measures. But Britain's stake in the Republic has been declining. and the statistics are hard to interpret. In a time of recession particularly the costs to Britain would none the less be very significant, and no government could incur them without discussing fully what they would

involve, and for whom. We are at the beginning of an uncertain path. Such intervention in another state's domestic affairs is full of risk. The history of sanctions is not propitious. The object must be limited to encouraging ordered change within South Africa, without incurring the responsibility for adding to the existing potentiality for a catastrophe.

#### PAYING FOR THE HEALTH SERVICE

Every problem in the public services, it is said, boils down to money in the end; which is only to say that every possible solution can have a price put on it. But some problems can be more usefully reduced to money terms than others. There is a widespread feeling in the National Health Service that more funds would improve services more than anything else. Mr Patrick Jenkin accepted this view on Saturday, and Mr Laurie Pavitt, commenting on his remarks, finds that it is almost the only point on which they are at one. Mr Jenkin declared that the service was not short of doctors (an uncritical acceptance of the profession's own predictions which may occasion surprise in the geriatric ser-Nor were bureaucratic burdens or the lack of incentives to cost effective practises the main problem. The service was simply running out of money.

If we are to spend more, the money must come from somewhere else, whether public service or private indulgence. Mr Jenkin shares Mrs Thatcher's belief that many people are ready to pay more for their personal welfare, or that they should be. The Conservative Party is also committed to reducing direct personal taxation. He looks favourably, therefore, at proposals to ask hospital patients to pay part of the cost proposal to raise insurance con-

David Wood

Hazards of

The logic of the speech with which the Queen will open the new session of Parliament on Thursday runs in two superficially contradictory directions. First, and politically foremost, for the Cabinet, it must argue that government centralized at Westminster has proved too remote and unresponsive to the needs and

and unresponsive to the needs and aspirations of the Scots and Welsh,

and that, therefore, Westminster

shall surrender some part of its sovereignty to new democratic seemblies created in Edinburgh and Cardiff.

Second, and politically less than tholeheartedly, the speech must so argue that the United Kingdom

Parliament no longer possesses full sovereignty over laws and decisions made in Brussels, and that therefore some of Westminster's function

should be surrendered to a new

here democracy might be expected

directly elected European assembly,

to force accountability on an authoritarian Council of Ministers and

bring under curb the bureaucracy of the EEC Commission.

On the first argument, the United Kingdom is now too large to be

governed from Westminster; on the

other, the United Kingdom is too

small an economic and political unit to survive, or at least prosper, in the world today on the besis of

There is no point in denying that

a contradiction at least appears to

exist here, with a consequent diffi-culty for any Cabiner that com-

mends both proposals in the same

breath on grounds of principle.

It would, in fact, assume too

much to think that the proposals

are being launched by the Govern-ment on grounds of principle. There

are scarcely more than a few dozen members of the House of Commons.

in the two main parties, who would In principle, that happens to be not rather leave Westminster's my own judgment; in principle,

purely national policies.

the Queen's

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of their keep, or of making the National Insurance health contribution a much more significant source of funds (at present it covers less than a tenth of NHS costs, and taxation 85 per cent)..

The principle that health care should be free at the point of use is not sacrosanct. Both parties have long accepted prescription charges in practice, though it remains Labour policy to abolish them. They have not been raised since 1972, and in real terms are worth half what they were then. But they can never make more that a marginal contribution to costs. Many of those most likely to need treatment are exempt. The same would be true of hospital charges. Forty per cent of hospital beds occupied by patients over 65. Since patients in hospital are more likely to be losing earnings, wider exemptions than for prescription charges might be necessary. The extra administration would not assist Tory plans to prune back bureaucracv.

Most other countries pay for medical services through insurance, said Mr Jenkin, " and somehow they do not seem to face the same awful problems that we are facing". He did not say that most of them are instead facing the almost equally awful problem of a giddy and seemingly inexor-able rise in health spending. The

sovereignty untouched, if political events had not forced them alike off principle and their long term self-

nterest. The Labour Party needs

the liou's share of seats in Scotland and Wales if it is to form an effec-

tual government at Westminster. The Scottish National Party has

already made, and threatens to go on making, deep inroads into Labour's traditional territory in

Scotland, and must, therefore, have

its nationalist sting drawn; and

what you give to the Scots you must at least offer to the less militant Welsh, if they show in a referendum that they also want

Much the same is true of direct

elections to the European Parlia-ment, which had to be swallowed at

a gulp as an integral part of the Rome Treaty to achieve the greater

end of carrying the United Kingdom into the EEC at all. Most United

Kinedom MPs, whether for or against membership of the Nine, at

heart want a loose grouping of nation states, the emphasis being on

economic unity with a limited political unity to support it.

for a directly elected European Par-

liament is that Westminster cannot control either the Council of Min-

isters or the Commission. They fairly reluctantly admit, therefore,

that a new and democratically valid

Parliament becomes necessary.

session for dispersing Westminster power downwards and upwards, however, may well be less contradictory than is suggested by the parliamentary timing of the Bills and the practical accents that

the pressing political events that

bring them to the forefront of this

week's Queen's Speech. It may well be true that the logic of the United

Kingdom's joining a larger economic

and political unit leads directly to

the transfer of some domestic West-

minster sovereignty downwards to

the constituent parts of the United

Kingdom, if there is not to be

exactly the deepening sense of im-

potence and remoteness of govern-

ment that many Commons MPs now

make their objection to Brussels

law and regulations. Devolution and

In principle, that happens to be

direct elections may be comple-mentary, not contradictory.

The concurrent arguments next

As Westminster experience grows of so-called European secondary legislation, their strongest argument

more self-government.

tributions is essentially an act of faith in the Treasury: would it resist the temptation to cut back funds from general taxation to balance the extra revenue? It also rests on the assumption that an insurance contribution is less painful than a :ax payment. That may be so if part of the contribution is voluntary, and Mr Jenkin may have had in mind a range of insurance rates (corresponding with what service benefits?). But the recent evidence of declining individual subscriptions to private health insurance schemes casts some doubt on the supposition that people are ready to pay much more To say that we spend too little

or health implies an idea of how much we should spend, and that in turn implies so idea of the out to attain. Since 1970 health spending has risen by a fifth in real terms. It has had to slow down very suddenly, causing acute difficulties, but there was no time in the period when prophecies of collapse were not Of course more money could bring better services; medicine could swallow up an almost unlimited share of our resources if it was allowed to. How much it should swallow up is a problem of priorities. But if it is accepted that we are to spend substantially more, then we are likely to find that the bulk of the extra money will have to come from the taxpayer.

there is no intrinsic contradiction. Yet other principles need to be reckoned with and we shall not know whether they have been observed until the Government Bills are before us and have undergone

Take one or two examples touch

ing the devolution Bills. Scotland and Wales are already, on the footing of electoral quotas, over-represented at Westminster. Should that over representation continue when Edinburgh and Cardiff's assemblies have been given a large measure of shave been given a large measure of self-government? Or will England, which provides 516 MPs in a Commons of 635 members, have to demand countervaling regional assemblies for which there is no unblic demand or marifest conscious public demand or manifest constitu-tional requirement? And will Scot-tish and Welsh MPs at Westminster continue to enjoy the right to vote on all-English questions while Eng-lish MPs have no say, or much less say, on a broad range of Scottish and Welsh national decisions?

Merely to ask such questions is enough to suggest that the unity of the kingdom is being brought under attack, and that there will be some MPs on both sides of the House who will have no truck with the Bill, in spite of the Prime Ministral hards a description. ister's threat to dragoon his ministers and rank and file by a guillo-tine and by whipping in. On a hundred and one issues of constitu-tional detail the Government will run into trouble in both Houses, and it should not yet be taken for granted that a parliamentary time-table can save the Bill next session.

So it will be, too, with the direct elections Bill, especially the choice between regional elections and the first-past-the-post system. In practice, next year's French elections bave virtually reconciled the Nine to a delay in direct elections to European Parliament, and, though I say it with regret, I no longer believe that Westminster would damn itself in the eyes of the Eight if polling had to be delayed beyond May or June next year, the pledged objective of Mr Callaghan's "best endeavours".

A post-election series of European elections in the spring of 1979 would almost certainly turn out to be an acceptable compromise, and it would probably be agreeable even to most Conservatives at West-

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Mr Thorpe

From Mr Jonathan Capian Sir, I was surprised to read (October

29) that your Political Editor was prepared to defend Keith Graves' disgraceful question to Jeremy Thorpe et Thursday's press con-ference on the grounds that it was put in a "courteous way", that Mr Graves gave "sensible explana-tions" for asking it, and that "at least five others" were ready to ask the question had Mr Graves chosen not to do so.

Why is it that increasing numbers of journalists are unable, or unwilling, to distinguish between matters that actually are "in" the public interest and those that are merely "of" public interest? General enquires about Mr Thorpe's sexual history are clearly irrelevant to any of the issues involved, and posing them on the pretext that they are in the public interest is a gross abuse of a journalist's

It is not only your Political Editor who misses this distinction but apparently also the editorial staff of BEC Television News who compounded Mr Graves' bad taste by allowing bim time in Thursday's bulletin to describe both his motives for putting the question and then the understandable reaction it pro-

Yours faithfully, IONATHAN CAPLAN, 2 Crown Office Row, The Temple, EC4. October 30.

From the Reverend Lawrence Rigal Sir. What chance is there of Jeremy Thorpe clearing his name, if after nearly 2,000 years the Pharisees, as the title of your leader (October 29) shows, have not been cleared unsubstantiated accusations of being self righteous hypocrites? Yours sincerely.

LAWRENCE RIGAL. Woodford and District Liberal Synagogue. Mariborough Road. South Woodford, E18.

#### A European currency

From the Director of the European

Sir, Mr Roy Jenkins's call for a European monetary union is a timely one as we approach elections to the European Parliament next year. Although your first reaction appears cool. I hope a debate on the issue in your columns may well show how many of our current problems could be eased by adopting a common currency. It would bring real benefits to the Community's citizens in terms of personal and business convenience. It would assist economic and politi-cal integration and bring back stability to our present world of monetary chaos.

A European currency replacing national currencies could not be created overnight, but steps towards it are fairly obvious. The Community should develop the Euro-pean Fund for Monetary Coopera-tion, first into a reserve fund and then into a Community reserve bank, in which member countries could pool parts of their reserves. Before full monerary union is achieved the Community might well start by creating a parallel currency based on the European unit of account for use alongside the member countries' currencies in both official and commercial transactions. This could lead to the replacement of the dollar in some of its international functions, but above all enable the Community to promote greater stability as a first step towards full monetary union. Yours faithfully. ERNEST WISTRICH,

The European Movement. Europe House, la Whitehall Place, SW1. October 28.

#### TUC and press freedom From the Editor of the Evening

Despatch, Darlington Sir, The Trades Union Congress's feeling that it needs a better public image is understandable, and the image is understandable, and the most urgent consideration of its newly formed media group should centre on the wilfully damaging and potentially fatal activities of one of its member unions, which have led to no trade union newspapers including my own for thirteen weeks. No news of any kind at all, in fact.

By continuing to acquiesce in the

By continuing to acquiesce in the unilateral declaration of an indus-trial closed shop by members of the National Union of Journalists, the TUC would be continuing to acquiosce in a threat to individual expression on any matter: also in a threat to any editor who seeks to select his writers dispassionately and on merit.

On the simplistic understanding on the samplistic understanding that a newspaper might advise on but would hardly refuse to cooperate with the TUC's own choice of General Secretary or Conference chairperson, similarly one might be entitled to expect that the TUC, as a self proclaimed body of democratic intent, would seek to restrain more firmly any member union that attempted anywhere to bring pres-sure on the matter of who should. or should not, represent an organ of democratic aims.

By raising no protest at the banning from the recent Labour Party Conference of two reporters whose integrity and ability were defended beforehand by fellow trade union ised journalists (and whose work in a more enlightened situation might have appeared in my newspaper) the TUC suggests at this moment that "the real face of trade unionism" which it appears to crave exists in its mind only.

Anything less than condemnation of unilateral declarations of closed shops in journalism, both damaging and invalid (as the mediator on behalf of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service has pointed out) would amount to the media group representing a citadel of hydocrisy. Yours sincerely.

BRIAN NICHOLLS. Editor, Evening Despatch, Priestgate.

### The questioning of Estimating the fertility of immigrants

From the Secretary of State for

Sir, In Volume III of his memoirs, the late Richard Crossman states that he had been told that there was a fascist nest in the Registrar General's office and (I) did not believe a word of it but, after an hour sitting with the staff, I became convinced that there was a real ideological partern to the behaviour of this office". There have been allegations in the press that he and I falsified official statistics about the coloured population in Britain.

I have now been able to check the facts. In July 1969 the Registrar General put up a paper showing a projection of the New Common-wealth population for the year 1981. It assumed that the higher fertility of the New Commonwealth popula-tion which could be inferred from the 1966 sample Census would stay unchanged during the period of the projection as there was at that time no hard evidence that fertility was falling. The resulting projection was qualified by the stotement that it was likely to be high-fertility was likely to fall and a range of 2 to 21 million should be given for 1981. However, the Registrar General suggested that in view of the uncerpested that in view of the uncertainties it would be wise only to publish yet seain the projection of the order of 2! million for the New Commonwealth population for 1986 which I had used in a speech I made in the House in 1967.

At the meeting which Dick Crossman reports in his diary for August 7, 1969, and which I attended, the Registrar General and the staff were

1. to show separately persons from Cyprus, Malta and Gibraltar (the Mediterranean Countries) within the figures for population of New Commonwealth origin, as the press tended to equate New Comparticular racial origin;

2 to produce alongside the projection based on constant fertility, further projections based on declining or lower fertility in the New Commonwealth population

(excluding those from Mediterranean Countries). Thus our intention was not to suppress the Registrar General's

original projection but to see further alternative projections in view of all the uncertainties. We did not ask the Registrar General to delete his original projection. Further projections made on further assumprections were submitted by the Registrar General at the end of January 1970. They were discussed at a meeting held by Dick Crossman which I also attended in February 1970 and were, I undergrand discussed by a second discussed by the second discussed discussed by the second discussed di stand, discussed by a committee of Ministers a month later.

Later evidence suggests that the fertility of persons of New Com-monwealth origin excluding those from Cyprus, Valta and Gibraltar is now lower than it was in 1969 or 1970.

This demonstrates that we were right to ask for alternative estimates based on assumptions of falling fer-tility. The latest projection of New Commonwealth population for 1986 is still of the order of 2.5 million as given in the answer to a Parlia-mentary Question in 1970 which

mentary Ouestion in 1970 which repeated the figure I had used in the House in 1967.

The book mentions Michael Reed, the then Registrar General, who I knew as a highly responsible civil servant. Miss Thompson, who is also referred to, is a demographer with an international reputation. I saw nothing to suggest any ideo-logical bias in their work. Indeed, if Dick were alive today to review what he had hastily dictated. I am to cut out the sentence quoted at the beginning of this letter. I have no hesitation whatever in expressing my complete confidence in the past and present Registrars General. Miss Thompson and the rest of the staff of the Office. Yours faithfully,

DAVID ENNALS. Department of Health and Social Security,
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Elephant and Castle, SE1,
October 28.

#### Housing associations From Sir Lou Sherman

Sir, I was sorry to see that your leader of October 24 about trends in British housing policy failed to take any account of the emergence during the last few years of a power-ful housing association movement. The significance of this develop-ment is that at a time when there is need to apply more and more managerial and financial resources to orban renewal, when the flexibilities of the private rented sector are disappearing with private rented accommodation itself, and when the need to avoid a polarization between owner occupation and municipal housing is increasingly recognised,

these needs. There are now some 2,500 housing associations registered with the Housing Corporation. They are now providing over one-sixth of all new and improved social housing. In all the major political parties and most local authorities. This year, the voluntary bousing movement expects to receive the go-ahead for 40,000 fresh homes, not only bring-ing a little joy and hope to the thousands of people condemned to the misery of housing squalor, but making a significant contribution to the mainstreams of housing policy
-urban renewal and housing for

housing associations are demon-strating that they represent one

snswer, and a potent one, to all

special needs.

Over the last three years, the Housing Corporation's priorities

rehabilitation and revitalization of our inner cities, particularly in housing action areas, and the provision of housing for people with specialist needs such as the elderly, handicapped, and those who traditionally had sought refuge in the rapidly diminishing private rented sector.
From its earliest days, the housing

have been directed towards the

association movement has been in the vanguard of new initiatives. Now with the assistance of the Housing Corporation, it has pioneered new forms of tenure. It is leading the way in cooperative housing and the involvement of tenants and local communities in the control and management of their

It is in the forefront of making arrangements with specialist groups to help with the rehabilitation of ex-offenders, addicts, and those recovering from mental sickness. If, therefore, one is to pursue your call for the coming together of the diverse political and profes-sional views held about housing in order to arrive ar a housing policy that will endure there is, Sir, in my view, a leaf to be taken out of the housing association book. I am glad to see that both the Government's Green Paper and the NEDO report seem to share this view. Yours faithfully,

LOU SHERMAN, Chairman, The Housing Corporation, Maple House, 149 Tottenham Court Road, W1. October 26.

#### Drugs for coping From Professor Ivor H. Mills

Sir, The article by Dr Brewer in your Guest Column today (Oct 26) is particularly unfortunate, not only because it is likely to persuade more doctors to use ineffective drugs instead of antidepressants but more so because it suggests that Dr Brewer thinks that people who are a bit unhappy risk death by taking a handful of tablets. If this is really his view then he cannot have listened to hundreds of people who have attempted suicide over the past 12 years as I have.

If, as with so many doctors, he asks his patients when he sees them after they have woken up from their overdose, if they want to kill themselves, he would conclude from their answers that almost all of them do answers that simost an or them up not then want to die. If one asks them what was in their minds when they took the tablets one learns that almost all of them were desperate and they commonly say, "I had to get out of it somehow; I didn't care if I lived or died".

In the invited paper I gave at the meeting of the European Society

of Toxicology in Edinburgh last year, I pointed out that an analysis of what had occurred in the three to six months before people attempt suicide shows that they have had more problems and challenges than they could cope with. Exhaustion of the coping process of the brain is typical of those who attempt suicide even though some will see a way of coping an hour or two later and ask for help. In their desperation they will take any drug to hand, frequently not their own. In my analysis aspirin

was the commonest single drug taken and sleeping tablets of all sorts the commonest group (31 per cent of patients); tranquillizers far exceeded antidebressants which were taken by only 8.2 per cent of the patients. What is more important is that many patients took a variety of drugs which would not harm anyone.
If Dr Brewer looked at the now

extensive data of self-poisoning in the developing countries he would find the incidence rising and now about equal to our own in the early sixties. In Guyana, Ceylon and Hungary where drugs are not so readily available, the commonest thing to be taken is organo-phosphorus pesti-cida which is frequently fatal.

The tranquillizers, so frequently prescribed because they rarely kill when taken in excess, allow the brain to adapt in a few days and do not help the coping process. Tricyclic antidepressants facilitate the coping process and have often proved the only useful drug for students in difficulties with their

When one has the time to listen to patients they tell only too clearly of the constant challenges of modern civilized life till they can cope no more. Till we change our so-called civilization so that people can cope, tricyclic antidepressants used early, especially when the only symptom is sleep disturbance, are the most effective drugs in restoring coping ability. Yours faithfully. IVOR H. MILLS Addenbrooke's Hospital,

Hills Road, Cambridge.

#### Forcing the Marda Pass From Brigadier J. B. Bettington

Sir, In a report from Nairobi in The Times today (October 10) on the war between Somalia and Ethiopia it is stated that, after the capture of Jijiga, the British were held up in front of the Marda Pass for over a month. This is completely untrue. The pass was indeed a strong position, if properly held, but the operations of eleventh African Division here took three days only. The whole advance of over twelve hundred miles from the crossing of the Juba on boundary of Kenya and Italian Somaliland to Addis Ababa took about six weeks and included several other formidable positions. Yours faithfully.

J. B. BETTINGTON,

12 Charles Street,

#### Destroying capliflowers From Mrs Margarete Howson

Sir, I cannot sit down to my next meal without commenting on a Reuter announcement in today's issue of your worthy newspaper (October 25).

Is it still possible that a responsible country, indeed a neighbour of ours only just across the Channel can bring itself to allow the destroying of "more than two mil-lion" cauliflowers this year "to keep up prices after a record harvest"?

Do they give thanks at harvest festivals over there? Yours faithfully. MARGARETE HOWSON, Strathdon, 3 Collegiate Crescent,

October 25.

### Mapping buried

From Dr Graham Webster

Sir. The proposal to disbuid archaeological division of Ordnance Survey reported in Times of October 25 is of a concern to all British archeolo-A national agency for the recor of archaelogical sites and which are now being made it creasing numbers every year necessity, not only for research a fuller understanding of Brit past, but alse for supplying info-tion for planning and conserva projects. The high standards of OS, the eavy of the world, I created the firm impression unless a site of antiquity is sl on an OS map it has no reli. always difficult to persuade p ning officers and developers sites of considerable size and im rance may be present below ground, without any visible tra identified as a prehistoric bu may be shown, while a religious of the same period, larger and m interesting than Stonehenge, or Romano-British settlement of 20 30 acres, may be known from aer photographs to lie in adjacent are but neither is shown and therefi "officially" does not exist. The OS should be regarded

providing a national service and as a commercial venture, but ev when tourism, now 2 growth ind uy of importance to us, is deni the information and help it bac needs. It might also help to sa some of our monuments from bei ing the visitors to other equal fascinating sites. Finally, the lo of the splendid series of perit maps will be a great blow students of all ages, as they have become essential tools in the teachers. ing of history and human geograph Yours faithfully, GRAHAM WEESTER, The Old School House, Chesterton.

Harbury, Nr Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. October 27.

#### Race and education

From the Headmaster of Willesde High School Sir, I welcome your publication (October 26) of the views of the Caribbean Teachers Association whom you report as "angry":

the assumption implicit in recei government reports that educ tional failure is the norm for children of West Indian origin This is a very important issue, on of the most important in outroubled inner urban areas today As Headmaster of a school in suc an area, with a substantial majorit of such children, nothing in m experience would confirm th "implicit assumption" condemner On the contrary, children of Wei Indian origin achieve success in the same way as other children do a my own annual prize lists an

examination results would show. "implicit assumption" may be cor fusing is the ability to achieve sur cess with the existence amon numbers of children of West India origin of language difficulties to which special attention has to b paid. To deal with these, adequate resources, particularly in staffing have to be provided. Otherwise as your report says, disadvantage i created and loss of opportunit suffered. In addition it is neces sary in multiracial schools to creat a multicultural ambience in everway possible including through the curriculum. And this is to the advantage of not only children o West Indian origin but of all other children too.

Yours, etc MAX MORRIS, Headmaster. Willesden High School, Dovle Gardens Willesden, NW10. October 26.

#### £10 Christmas bonus From Mr S. Tresadern

Sir, Whilst obviously welcome, the Sir, Whilst obviously welcome, the E10 Christmas Bonus for pensioners announced yesterday (October 26) by Mr Healey smacks of meanness A £10 bonus was first paid in December, 1972, and by the time the 1977 payment is made we will have suffered inflation of some 114 per cent. This means that the 1977 payment at 1972 prices is morth nument at 1972 prices is worth

To revalue the bonus to today's price level would require a payment of £21.40 which would cost the Exchequer £214 million. Financing this could have been achieved by raising personal tax allowances for 1977/78 by about £15 or so less than has actually been announced less a cost to basic rate tax payers of about 10p per week each.

Perhaps the army of civil servants responsible for the paltry award to pensioners should compare its declining real value with the fat inflation-proof pensions to which they can look forward.

which they can look forward. Yours faithfully, S. TRESADERN, 174 North Street, Romford,

October 27.

### 'Wogs'

From Lieutenant General Sir John Cowley, GC
Sir, "Workers on Government
Services", "War Office General
Stores", "Western Oriental Gentlemen " indeed.

It is of course an affectionate abbreviation for a great friend of my youth, the Gollywog. I suggest "Gollies" would be a better word, more in line with Limies, Poms, Brits and all the other names our friends call us. Yours faithfully, JOHN COWLEY,

Sandy Down, Boldre, Lymington, October 27.

### **COURT CIRCULAR**

ber 30; Prince Michael of left RAF Benson this ing in an aircraft of The in's Flight for Berlin, where Royal Highness will be present to British Silver Jubblee Tattoo undertake other engagements. undertake other engagements.

Duke of Kent will visit com-Elliott Avionic Systems tochester on November 21.

#### arriage

F. J. K. Ledwidge Miss S. C. Hollis Miss S. C. Hollis
marriage took place on Saturat the parish church of Sarum homas, Salisbury, Wiltshire, of Francis John Kingsley Ledge, son of Sir Bernard Ledge, son of Sir Bernard Ledge, of 19 Queen's Gate Terrace.

7, and Mrs Anne Ledwidge, of Hornton Street, WS, and Miss an Caroline Hollis, only withter of the late Mr Denail lils and Mrs Hollis, of 8 Rivere Close, Laverstock, Salisbury, Irshire. Canon Edward B. Joks officiated.

lishire. Canon Edward ... oks officiated. The bride, who was given in rriage by her brother, Mr thotas Hollis, wore a gown of ite man crépe with a short un. Her tulle veil was held in the by a wreath of lilies-of-the-tree by a wreath of liliesiss Natacha Ledwidze, attended r and Mr James Lubbock was st man. A reception was held at the on will be spent in the West

#### arthdays today

rofessor W. F. Grimes, 72: Mr. lastair Hetherington, 58: Sir odfrey Mitchell, 86: Sir Ernest liver, 77: Real-Admiral M. J. coss, 69: Lord Rodhschild, 67: ir Edward Snelson, 73: Majorieneral V. D. Thomas, 80: Mr. milian Tetron, 82 ulian Tritton, 88.

#### Christening

The infant daughter of the Hon Svan and Mrs Baillie was christened Emma Elizabeth by Canon S. A. T. Mallin at St James's, Dingwall, on October 30. The godparents are Mr Jeannot Malik, Mr Edmund Wood, Mr Jock Fraser, Mrs Christopher Fox and Mrs Giovanni Ambrosino.

Prince for carol service The Prince of Wales is to be present at a Christmas celebration with carols in Westminster Cathedral on December 20. Proceeds will be divided between the Queen's Silver Jubilec Appeal and the Westminster Cathedral

Memorial services Lord Adrian, OM The Duke of Edinburgh, Chan-cellor of Cambridge University, was represented by the Vice-Chan-cellor, Sir Alan Cottrell, at a memorial service for Lord Adrian, OM. which took place at Great St Mary's Church, Cambridge, on St Mary's Church, Cambridge, on Saturday. Professor J. Burdaby, Regius Professor of Divinity (Emeritus). officiated. The les-son was read by the Master of Trinity College, Lord Butter of Saffron Walden, and an address Dr R. A. Sayce Among those present were:

#### Latest wills

Latest estates include (net, before nax paid; tax not disclosed); Hall, Mr Samuel, of Leyburn, North Yorkshire, racehorse trainer North Yorkshire, racehorse trainer
E59,663
Haskins. Mr Cecil, of Westonsuper-Mare, dental surgeon

Debenham, Mr Martin Ridley, of
Dorchester
E339,378
Leaper, Mr William, of Broomfleet, Humberside
E103,962
Marshall, Mrs Lucy Kathleen, of
North Yorkshire
E101,903
Matthews, Mrs Ida, of Sutton
Coldfield
E198,563
Rathbone, Lieutenant-Colonei
Lorents Mark Benson, of Winchester
E120,309
Shepheard, Mr James John Gibbons, of Sidmouth
E139,198
Smith, Mr Wilfrid Cecil, of Whetstone, London
Southern, Mr Robert White, of
Matchester, timber merchant
E109,888 £109,888

#### Today's engagements BBC lunchtime concert, St John's,

#### Dartmouth passing out

Rear-Admiral J. R. S. Gerard-Pearse. Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff (Operations) took the salute at the parade on Friday when the following officers under training passed out from training passet out from Britannia Royal Naval College : Control But (Engineer): Sub-Lieu-tenant I. M. Scott.

#### **Forthcoming** marrizges

Mr P. Striberry and Miss C. M. Emmet The engagement is an The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs William Striberry, of 2569 South Garden Drive, Lake Worth, Florida 33461, United States, and Carriona. second daughter of the Hon Christopher and Lady Miranda Emmet, of Sorrels House, Fittleworth, West Sussex.

Mr M. T. Antonelli and Miss E. A. C. Anwyl-Davles The engagement is announced between Michael, son of the late Colonel A. M. Antonelli (United Colonel A. M. Antonelli (Umred. States Army Reserve), and Mrs Heien Louise Marsh, of Bart-2s-ville, Oklahoma, United States, and Eva Alexandra Corneria, daughter of his Hon Judge Anwyl-Davies, QC, of Great Buckstepe, Bodle Street, Sussex, and Mrs Eva Anwyl-Davies, of St Paul de Vence, France. de Vence, France.

and Miss M. A. Keyes The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of Mr and Mrs G. G. Cowpe, of Bickley. Kent, and Maureen, daughter of the late Mr N. Keyes, and of Mrs J. Keyes, of Walton-on-Thames, Surrey.

Mr R. B. Donaldson. and Miss E. M. Davies and MISS E. Al. Davies

The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr and Mrs B. D. Donaldson, of Durban. South Africa, and Brigid, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. R. A. Davies, of Waldegrave Road, Bickley. Kent.

Mr D. S. Glass and Miss Y. E. Montrose
The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs A. Glass, of London, and Yvonne, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Montrose, of Cardiff.

Mr P. H. Jones and Miss K. M. Shepherd

The engagement is announced between Paul. son of Mr and Mrs Gwyn Jones, of Holbein House, Brackley, and Katherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Shepherd, of Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Man-

Mr S. A. Organ
and Miss S. N. Rolt
The engagement is announced
between Stephen Andrew, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D. B.
Organ, of Cider Mill House,
Welford-on-Avon, and Susan
Nicola, younger daughter of Major
and Mrs A. P. R. Rolt, of Lavender House. Stratford upon Avon,
Warwickshire.

Mr N. S. Thorley and Miss E. C. Faulkner and Miss E. C. Fallikher
The engagement is announced
between Nicholas, elder son of
Mr and Mrs Victor Thoriev,
of Coventry, and Elizabeth, only
daughter of Professor and Mrs
Eric Faulkner, of Cookham Deau,
Berkshire.

Mr P. P. Voelcker

and Miss A. van D. Edwards The engagement is announced between Peter, only son of the late Commander Paul Voelcker, RN, Ret, and of Mrs Voelcker, of

Wolverton. West Meon, Hamp-shire, and Alison van Dedem, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs C. J. van D. Edwards, of Balla-killingan, Lezayre, Isle of Man.

and Mrs P. R. Burnet (representing Cambridgeshire Mental Weitare Association and Cambridgeshire Area Health Authority: Professor A. Lloyd, the Rev P. J. W. Buchler, Professor O. H. Frisch, Professor and Mrs H. Gareth Jones, Professor R. A. Leigh, Professor A. Baker, Professor F. H. Hinsley, Professor B. M. Green, Professor D. Whittock, Professor and Mrs F. H. Sandbarth, Professor and Mrs W. B. Reidaway, Professor and Mrs W. B. Reidaway, Professor and Mrs W. B. Reidaway, Professor and Mrs W. B. Fairtie, Professor T. H. Marshall the Hev R. P. Rels. Professor A. M. B. Fairtie, Professor L. J. Austin, Professor W. A. H. Rushton, Professor J. F. Davidson and Professor, Professor H. Davidson, Professor J. F. Davidson and Professor, Professor H. Edderg, Professor H. Davidson, Institute for Medical Research. dynasty. It is some 7in in dia-meter, has an olive glaze and the interior is moulded and carved with a pattern of six entwined flowering branches. The sale also demonstrated that high prices can again be obtained for famille rose pieces in the "Chinese taste", whose value collapsed three years ago. A pair of Yung Cheng saucer dishes, naturalistically painted with a peach branch and two bats, went to an anonymous bidder at \$34,000 (estimate \$7.500 to \$10,000) or cito 200

£19,209.

Forces

Royal Navy

Anthony Sayce took place in the chapel of Worcester College, Oxford, on Saturday. The Rev Andrew Louth officiated. The lesson was read by the Provost, Lord briggs, and an address was given by the Bishop of Bedford. Oxford University was represented by the Pro Vice Chancellor, Sir John Habakkuk, Principal of Jesus Col-lege, and the Pro Proctors. Among others, pressur, were others present were : . Mrs. Sayce (widow), Mr and Mrs. Stephen Gilliver and Mr and Mrs. John Goddler (sons-in-law and daughters). Mr and Mrs. D. M. Sayce, and Mr and Mrs. R. W. Sayce (brothers and sisters-in-law), Mr Michael Sayce, Miss. Julie Sayce, Miss. Esime Sayce, Mrs. Noll Whiteman.

in-law). Mr Michael Sayce. Miss Juliu Sayce. Miss Eme Sayce. Miss Fame Sayce. Mr Richard. Farshor of St Peter's College. Mr Richard. Farshor representing the Principal and Jellows of St Edmund Hall. Bodley's Librarian. the Public Orator. Mr I. G. Phillip Irepresenting Oxford Bibbiographical Society. Mr Paul Morgan and Mrs R. J. Roborts (representing Riblioman) of the State of State of the State of State

Old Owen's Cricket Club

The amoual dinner of the Old
Owen's Cricket Club was held
vesterday at Lord's. Mr Sam
Kershen presided and the chief
guest was Sir Huw Wheldon. The
other speakers were the Headmaster of Owen's School, Mr
Gerald Jones, the Hon Ewen
Mr Dudley Moore, Mr Roa Moody,
Mr Denis Norden, Mr Jack Bentley
and Mr Davy Kaye.

the Conservatives would do about food policy if they were to form a government now. Mr Peyton.

chief Opposition spokesman on agriculture, fisheries and food, had an excellent chance last week

to tell them. He threw it away. He was the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Country

Landowners' Association. In an opening speech Mr John Quicke, the retiring president of the association, said: "Social democrats of the moderate wing of the

Labour Party seem to be losing the battle of ideas for the centre ground of politics. We are not yet certain where Conservative thinking on ownership will come to rest."

At that point Mr Roger Paul, the incoming president, nodded vigorously in assent. Mr Quicke's

comment was as close as the association has come in public to

association has conservative Party for the elusiveness and opacity of its food and land policies. Mr Paul epitomizes the close but seldom stated links between

but seldom stated links between the party and the association. The short bicgraphy issued about him by the headquarters of the associ-ation omits to mention that he spent five years from 1966 as chairman of the Eye, Suffolk, Conservative Association, after which he was its president for a further five was:

which he was an further five years.

Mr Peyton faced an audience in which many were committed and

and Mr Davy Kaye.

#### Dinner Old Owen's Cricket Club

Smith Square, Dartington String Quartet, 1. Sweet Adelines convention, 5,000 singers, Albert Memorial, 1.30, British Library gallery talk; "The Famous Voyage of Sir Francis Drake", 2.15. Organ recital, Southwark Cathedral, Robin Jackson, 1.10. Meeting of University of London Poets, School of Oriental and African Studies, Malet Street, WC, 6.30.

Supplementary List (Air.) Midshio-many K. P. Bayllos, J. K. Bourt, G. A. G. Costello, H. W. Harver, G. Hunt, G. A. Jardine, H. E. Midshio-active workers for his party. If he had offered them only a little

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Correspondent A possible explanation for the emerging pattern of religious half-balief among young people is that it is the logical end product of "folk" Procestantism. The Protestant emphisis on individuality has "belped to dig its own grave", in the

words of a report on religious beliefs among the 13-24 age group prepared for the Church of England. lo a research report based on long, individual and group interviews with 100 young people, the sociologists, Mrs Sernice Martin and Mr Ronald Pluck, have sent out an analysis of the underlying factors from their survey. The results of the survey were published recently by the General Synod Board of Education in a paper based on the longer document

submitted by the two researchers in which this analysis appears. They comment, after describ-ing their findings in detail: In the end we were left with a suspicion that it was not just modernity which had bequeathed us the amorphous and privatized pattern of belief exemplified in the interviews, but specifically the non-conformist stress on individual sincerity and superiority to institutional conformity which

coherence altogether.

High prices

from China

Sale Room Correspondent
The intense competition of London and Hongkong dealers at Christle's sale of Chinese ceramics, bronzes and jades on Friday and Saturday in New York brought a run of unexpected prices. The top six prices in the sale were paid by Eskenazi of Piccadilly and Hugh Moss of Bruton Street; the latter now does much of his business in Hongkong.

ness in Hongkong. Eskenazi paid \$75,000 (estimate \$10,000 to \$15,000) or £42,373, for

S10,000 to \$15,000 or \$42,575, for a very rare Ming underglaze red and blue stem cup of the late fifteenth century, decorated with red fish swimming among blue lotus plants, 41in high. He also paid \$48,000 (estimate \$25,000 to \$30,000) or £28,224 for a Ch'ien Lung miterian hottle.

\$30,000) or £28,234 for a Ch'ien Lung pilgrim bottle.

Hugh Moss caught Christie's estimators off balance when he paid \$52,000 (estimate \$5,000 to \$7,500) or £30,508 for a very rare \$10,500 grasty Kuan dish; measuring 44in, it has a petal moulded rim and uniform crackled grey glaze. Moss also paid \$38,000 (estimate \$10,000 to \$12,000) or £21,469 for a northern Celadon conical bowl of the northern Sung dynasty. It is some 7in in dia-

Appointments in the

VICE-ADMIRAL: A. S. Morton, to be Vice-Chief of Naval Staff in Jan. 1978.

REAR-ADMIRAL: A. A. Murphy. DGW: N: as Special Project Dir. Oct 5.

DLWINI as Special roject bit. Oct. of CAPTAINS: G. B. Evans, Shape as Chief of Navy Section Ops Divn. Feb. 16. 1-78: J P. Wrigley, NA Tehran, Nov 21: K. A. Low, Strius in Cmd and as Capt Fe. Nov 1: G. M. F. Vallings, MOD as Dir of Naval Ops and Trede, MOD as Dir of Naval Ops and Trede, MOD as Dir of Naval Ops and Trede, MOTCH 50: J. F. de Winton, Cincsouth as DACOS (Plans and Policy), March 16. 1978: J. A. Stephenson, Naval Atlaché Brazilla, Nov 18.

SURGEON CAPTAINS: I. H. Colley.
MOD with MDG(N) as DHR(N). Dec
6: D. E. MacKay. FONAC as Command Med Off, Dec 6.

From The Times of Thursday, Oct 30, 1952

Recognition of a little understood fact about the future of
broadcasting is given in the terms
of reference made public yesterday of the reconstituted television
advisory committee. The Postmaster-General stated in the House
of Lords that the new chairman,
Sir Charles Daniel, and his
colleagues have been charged with
the duty of advising on the development of sound broadcasting at
very high frequencies. This is the

Tories elusive over food and land policies

25 years ago

VHF inquiry

Agriculture

**Hugh Clayton** 

for works

By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

would enter on an official form:

'Protestant, 'cause I don't go to church.' Incidentally, he did not believe in God either."

The analysis presented is an interpretation of the decline in religious belief in Britain resulting from the resolution of

interviews was their strong the Protestant belief system. At emphasis on religion being a the time of the Reformation the emphasis on religion being a private concern, little to do with ither churches or dogmas. They state: "It cannot be too strongly stressed that a univer-sal individualism was found in the approach of these young people. What you believe is essentially private, it is your own affair; you have the right

to believe anything you like. "Many observers have suggested that British Protestantism is most succinctly characterized by the folk saying: 'You don't need to go to church to be a Christian.' One should note, however, that the connotations of Christian here are probably less theological than social and moral—it con-veys Englishness, respectability and a decent neighbourliness."

The interviewees clearly did not expect their own pretty incoherent pattern of beliefs to be any more relevant than their expectations of Christianity.

One might summarize the pattern of belief by saying that hardly any regarded it as having any social relevance at all.

It was an essentially private
thing, unconnected with everyday life, practical decisions, or
habitual value judgments.

"It made no demands, but has helped to dig first its own grave and then that of institu-tional religion and theological

A buff pottery figure of a

princess which fetched £16,158 at Christie's Chinese

bought a number of lots. A pair of Sunz dynasty Honan food bowls with brown metallic glazes were knocked down to him at \$19,000 (estimate \$4,000 to \$6,000)

or £10,734.

Those were exceptional prices; not all the lost topped their estimates so dramatically. The sale

mates so dramatically. The sale to-alled 5598,684, with 17 per cent unsold. The prices and total issued by Christie's Inclusive of premiums have here been reduced

Sir Peter Hudson. The Ushi Dirn. Nov 1. COLONELS: J. S. Asar to be Col GS. MODIA: Nov 3: H. C. Brown aprid AAG. MODIA: Nov 3: H. C. Brown aprid AAG. MODIA: Nov 3: H. C. Brown aprid AAG. MODIA: Nov. 1. C. Colone C

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Royal Air Force
GROUP CAPTAINS: J. P. Downess
to RAF Halton as Sin Cdr. Oct 31:
J. Meadows to MOD Larrise as DDSM
15 (RAF). Oct 31: A. L. Roberts to
RAF RIJOSS as Sin Cdr. Nov 4.
WING COMMANDER : with the
action rank of group capatan': R. V.
Louris to MODIPE: 28 AD/MAP 1.

WING COMMANDERS: P. S. Demmer to MOD as ADP'Opp'11 RAF1.
Oct 31: R. A. Warwick to HOSTC as
CATCO. Nov 1: B. J. St Aubyn to HO
AAFCE as Ch! Int Plans, Nov 4: J. T.
Brader to HO AAFCE as Ew Officer.
Nov 4: J. R. Cobu to HOSTC as
We Cdr 20: Nov 1: A. S. Tallest to
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RAFC COMMANDERS: P. S. D. Stein
to RAFC Cranwell as CTI. Nov 4.

first time that the committee has specifically had VHF included among its subjects for inquiry. The

among its subjects for inquiry. The creasion was urgently needed for unless full advantage is taken at the earliest practicable date of this scientific advance listeners will suffer more and more disastrously from the interference of continental stations. Congestion in the medium wave band used for sound programmes has got worse and worse since the war and the

and worse since the war and the end is not in sight. Patient attempts made between the nations to reach an equitable sharing out

have broken down for the simple reason that minety-nine inches cannot be fitted into a yard.

sale in New York.

Danger to church of emphasis on individual

The familiar pattern of the one of the key tensions within Protestant emphasis on the right of private interpretation of Scripture was a movement towards greater religious devotion, a protest against what the Reformers saw as Catholic

As long as Protestantism stood for a literal interpreta-tion of the Bible, as it did until the middle of the last century. believers had a precise and exacting guide to life, faith, and worship. The church was basically a collection of like-minded individuals, and the sense of a community of believers having some great significance was not strong.

The survey's most revealing discovery was a repeated emphasis in Scripture—ironically, still a distinctly Protestant characteristic-but it appeared in the negative form as being a reason for scepticism and agnosticism. The young people all appeared to have started from a fundamentalist view of Scripture, but as soon as they were brought face to face with the apparent contradictions between that and a scientific view of creation, they fled from The Christianity being rejec- activity.

"As one respondent put it, offered a cushion of comfort more graphically than he knew, when asked what religion he ruptions of life."

The confidence of the cushion of comfort ted by these young people does appear to be quite explicitly the christianity that now holds the Christianity that now holds the centre of the stage in the free churches and in Anglicanism, and towards which Roman Catholicism is moving. It is based on a sophisticated understanding of scripture, together with a non-authoritarian stress on the sacredness of the church.

It offers neither scriptural in-fallibility in the evangelical sense, nor magisterial infalli-bility in the traditional Roman Catholic sense. Its traditional prop, the total intermixture of Christianity and national culture, has now almost collapsed. Modern Christianity of this type does not offer certainty. It is the boast of modern church membership that it is more mature to live without certainty, but the difficulty fac-ing modern teachers of Christianity is that young people are

by definition immature. There is thus no answer to the difficulty in terms of better teaching, for its foundations have crumbled.

The most productive longterm course would be to emphasize the role of the church as a community rather than as a collection of individuals of a certain private persuasion, and to exert the magnetism of a warm community life. Doctrinal beliefs would not then be something to be urged on society at large, but would serve instead as an almost invisible foundation to a communal

# Fine tunes at Blair Castle championship dren", with its sad associations, although he played the later variations in his usual authoritative style. In the event, however, Hugh MacCallum was awarded third place with "Colin Roy MacKenzie's Lament", and fourth prize went to Malcolm MacRae, who pleased the judges with his rendering of "The Blue Ribbon". Although technique and justruments were of the highest standard, there seemed to be a reluctance by almost all competitors to let the phrases of their tunes settle and to look for and bring out the "tunes within the tunes" which make the theme of any plobraireached an opportunity for personal interpretation rather than

By David Murray By David Murray
Piping Correspondent
Blair Castle, the ancient home
and fortress of the Dukes of
Atholi, was the setting for the
annual Grant's Whisky piping
championship on Saturday.
Twelve pipers selected from
the leading prize winners of this
season took part by invitation in
a Piobraireachd and a march.
Strathsey and reel competition Strathspey and reel competition in the great hall of the castle before a capacity audience. Some fine tunes were heard in the principal competition. Iain McFadyen, the eventual winner, excelled himself in a moving rendering of the majestic "Lament for MacLeod of Col-bech". The piece, of compara-tively modern origin, opens with a beautiful theme and first varia-tion, of which Mr McFadyen made the most, attiough not all are convinced that the Mac-Pherson-style of the first varia-tion, which he favoured, is neces-sarily the most effective.

tion, which he favoured, is necessarily the most effective.

William Livingston, from Canada, was placed second with a competent performance of the magnificent "Lament for the Earl of Antrim".

John Burgess, with the "Stuarts" White Banner", again showed that he is not afraid to cut or prolong a melody note to achieve his effects and made the most of a moderate tune not often heard in public. heard in public.

A more introspective approach

would have improved John Mac-Dougall's " Lament for the Chil-

### Parliamentary diary House of Commons

studied in book

Times Books publish three new trues today. Great American Families is an illustrated book on

Families is an illustrated book on six great American dynasties, the Fords. The Rockefellers, the Fords. The Rockefellers, the Rockefellers, the Rockefellers, the Rockefellers, the Rockefellers and the Vanderbilts. It is designed by The Sunday Times Magazine and the authors include Gore Vidal, V. S. Pritchett, David Cante and Bruce Chanwyn. It costs 66.95.

The New Antiques, by Bevis Hiller, is a collection of articles, mostly from The Times, about unusual items that can be collected at modest prices. They include Victorian travel books, juke boxes, dog collars and old paper.

boxes, dog collars and old paper-backs. The book is filustrated with line drawings and costs £5.95.

The Great Antarctic Rescue tells

families

October 26.—Salement by Chancellor of the Exchequor on the eronomic situation. Prorogation.
House of Lords October 26.—Introduction of Lord Scarman, Royal assent to Unfair Con-tract Terms Bill. Prorogation.

Parliamentary notices House of Commons

November 3.—Queen's Speech. Debate on Queen's Speech. November 1.—Debate on Queen's House of Lords

### 3.—Queen's Speech. Debate The Army COLONEL COMMANDANT. LI-Gen Great American Service dinners Sir Peter Hudson, The Light Divis. Nov

51st (Highland) Division The annual reunion of the 51st (Highland) Division Dinner Club was held on Saturday evening at Gleneagles. Colonel Iain Wotherspoon was in the chair and Lieutenant-General Sir David Lieutenant-General Sir David Scott-Barrett was the principal guest. Among others present were Lieutenant-General Sir Derek Lang, Major-General Douglas Wimberley and Brigadiers James Oliver and Lorne Campbell of Airds, VC.

The Worcestershire and Sherwood Poresters Regiment A regimental dinner of The Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters Regiment took place on Saturday at Meeanee Barracks, Colchester. Brigadier P. G. M. Litton, Colonel of the Regiment, presided.

43rd Gurkha Lorried Brigade The annual dinner of the 43rd Gurkha Lorried Brigade was held at the Royal Automobile Club on Saturday, Brigadier A. R. Barker presided and Colonel W. Q. Roberts was the principal guest.

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The Great Antarctic Rescue tells the story of Sir Emest Shackleton's extraordinary feat in 1915 when his Antarctic reconnaissance ship sank and he and his crew drifted on an ice floe for five months. Shackleton and five others rescued the remainder of the crew after an epic boat journey to South Georgia for help. The book was written by Frank Wotsley, one of Shackleton's companions, and has an introduction by Sid Edmund Hillary, in which he calls Shackleton "the greatest leader of men". It is liustrated and costs \$5.50.

The books are available through RE (Postal and Courier
Communications)

The annual reunion dinner for officers of the Royal Engineers (Postal and Courier Communications) was held on Saturday at Simpson in the Strand, Principal guests included Rear-Admiral T. B. Homan, Directior General of Naval Personal Services, Major-General W. D. Mangham, Vice-Quartermaster General, Air Commodore Williams, Exercise Controller, UK, CICC, and Mr D. E. Roberts, Managing Director, Posts. Brigadier J. W. Bridge presided. The books are available through bookshops or, in case of difficulty, f.om Times Books, 18 Ogle Street, Loadon, W1.

£50,000 winner

The weekly £50,000 Premium Savings Bond prize, announced on Saturday, was won by 8 KF 602896. The winner lives in Liverpool.



### University news

From the Science Research Council, 257,200 for two years, control of electrolytic processes using a self-jung system, under Professor F. Coodridge; 253,446 for eight mouths, design of highly reliable computing systems, under Professor B. Randell; 323,556 for three years, aspects of high eacrys donsity battaries, under Dr R. D. Armstrong and Dr T. Dickinson.

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#### OBITUARY

Lutyens.

### MR HENRY MEDD A Lutyens disciple in India

Mr Henry Medd, who died on Delhi in 1931 Medd returned to British at a defficult time for architects, and he was for architects, and he was for sional life was almost entirely tunate to return to India in 1935 as consulting architect to spent in India. His disputthe Government of the Central guished work is comparatively e rroyinces, for whom his principal work was the High Court in Nagpur a building strongly influenced by Lutyens Viceror's House.

In 1939 Medd was appointed Chief Architect to the Government of India little known in Britain. He was, perhaps, the last survivor of that school of classicists who were inspired by the architecture of Sir Edwin.

Medd was born on September 21, 1892, at North Cerney, Henry Alexander Nesbirt Gloucestershire, where his father, the Rev Peter Gildsmith Medd, a founder of Keble which, owing to the outbreak of war and, the uncertainty preceding independence, brought disappointment. College, was Rector. He received his architectural edubrought Although anxious to protect the clarity of the plan of New Delbi, Medd found himself cation in the office of the church designer, F. C. Eden, responsible for the erection of temporary buildings for the who imparted to his pupil. a love of the Italian Renaissance. In 1915 Medd was able to work Allied armed forces which, to in the Apple Tree Yard office of Lutyens on the designs for the new city of Delhi; this was his disgust, were never removed. Apart from restoration work in Agra and Lahore, his only opportunity for creative work was to design a a short but prophetic and vital stage in his career. Twice rejected for military service, new Mint in Calcutta. Following the Partition of India in 1947 Medd returned to Britain, where he found an he helped to set up a tank factory in France. Returning to his chosen career in 1919, Medd applied to be Herbert. unfavourable climate both economically and architecturally.
His ideals were out of sympathy with the postwar mod-Baker's second representative

in New Deihi.
From 1919-31 Medd super ern generation.

He devoted his energies to other fields. He served on the London Diocesan Advisory Committee, was hon secretary of the Art Workers' Guild, and became its Master in 1959. He was awarded the OBE in 1946.

A man of independent out vised the construction of Baker's Secretariat and Legis-lative Assembly buildings in the new imperial capital. In 1925 he won the competition for the Anglican Church in New Delhi and in 1927 that tor the Roman Catholic Church A man of independent out look and definite convictions. The Church (now Catheiral) of the Redemption was built in Medd's qualities were exemplified in devotion to the memory of his mersor. Sir Edwin Lutyens, and love of the art 1928-35; it is a powerfully massed and finely detailed essay in the manner of Wren and Lutyens, the interior having a cool English atmosphere. Medd's more severe design for the Roman Catholic Church and culture of India. In 1945 Medd married Marjorie Lloyd, who brought him great happiness and comfort in his latter years, and who sur-(now Cathedral) was particly altered in execution.

After the completion of New

PROFESSOR MARY WILLIAMS

Emeritu. Professor Mary Williams, MA, FRAI, died on October 17 at Aberystwyth in her ninery-fifth year. Professor Williams was regarded in the University of Wales and more widely still, as the first woman to be appropriated to a chair still a street of the professor williams. Was imbued with a fierce love of her native Wales, proparties an opportunity for personal interpretation rather than a memory exercise.

Many of the tunes, however, improved greatly after the theme and there were several well constructed and well considered performances. to be appointed to a chair at a university in the United King-dom. As long ago as 1921 she structed and well considered performances.

The march, Strathspey and reel was disappointing. First place went to John Burgess, whose "Highland Wedding" was in a class by itself. There wa sno competitor placed in both events, so the overall championship went to lain MacFadyen, with John Burgess second and Willing Livingston third.

GRANT'S WHISRY CHAMPIONSHIP.

John Burgess, Invergenting to the high Livingston, whith, Onland, Phobratrached: 1, Jain MacFadyen, with Grand, William Livingston, White, Onland, Phobratrached: 1, Jain MacFadyen, William Livingston, S. Hugh MacCaulem, Bridge of Allan; 4, Malcolm McRas, Cannich, March, Strathspey and ree; 1, John Burgess, 2, John MacCoulest, Buckswas made professor in the then infant University College of Swansea. Over the years Pro-fessor Williams's claim was confidently made, and it was repeated in the inaugural address given by one of her former pupils in the Department of French, now Professor Armel Diverres, when he be-came Professor of Romance Studies at the University of Swansea in 1974: the claim has not been challenged. March, Strainspey and reol: 1. John Rungess: 2. John Machoussit, Bucksburn: 3 fan Clowe, Dumfries: 4, Jain Morrison, Kirknewton.

Professor Armel

Mary Williams, the daughter of a Weish Presbyterian munister, was born at Aberystwyth. Educated in London and at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, she was awarded a Double First in German and French. After a short period as became a separate department in 1932, she occupied the Chair

a secondary schoolmistress, she chair at Swansea she presented lowship of the University of bidding exterior, but those able wales, and this permitted her to probe soon found that she to study at the Sorbonne and possessed a strong sense of fun to harden. at the National University of and a genuine warmsh of feel lifeland. From her first university teaching post at Manches ter she moved to King's College revelled, and it remained her London, where she was Reader life-long regret that she had in Romance Philology at the time of her appointment in 1921 to the newly-founded Chair of life kept her mentally alert to Modern Languages at University the end in some of failing every to the newly-founded Chair of life kept her mentally alert to Modern Languages at University the end, in spite of failing eve-College, Swansea. After German sight. Until the end of 1975 of French upril 1948. From then Governors of the University Col-

of 79.
Bill O'Bryen, as he was always known—his full name was Wilfrid James Wheeler-O'Bryen—had been a familiar figure in the West End theatre as a shrewd and active agent and as a manager, one of the firm of O'Bryen, Linnit and Dunfee which first made its reputation in the mid-1930s. He was married in 1932 to the actress Elizabeth Allan.

Born in London in March, 1898, the son of a doctor, he was educated at Seaford and was contained at Search and the Oratory School, Edgbeston. From the age of 16 he fought gallandy in the First World War with the Royal Warwick-shire Regiment and the Lancashire Regulars. He was twice wounded, was mentioned in dispatches, received the MC with two bers and the Croix de Guerre, and retired with the

O'Bryen was in partnership with S. E. (Bill) Linnit, later joined by Jack Duntee; and they were soon prominent in the West End with a sequence of successes. Robertson Hare, whom the firm starred with Alfred Drayton in Aren't Men Beasts?, A Spot of Bother and Ben Travers's Banana Ridge, remembered O'Bryen's concen-

Throughout her life Mary Williams was imbued with a fierce love of her native Wales, speaking and writing the language with great fluency. Her main scholarly work, for which she was widely known, lay in the field of source study with particular reference to the debt of French Arthurian literature to Wales. She was deeply interested in folklore and was President of the Folklore Society (1961-63). She was a meticulous administrator and an inspiring teacher, who de-manded of her-students everything that they could give. Size laid great emphasis on the acquisition of fluency in both spoken and written French and she could not abide careless. she could not abide carelessness in any form. The French
Government recognized her ser
vices to French language and
literature by awarding her the
decorations of Officier d'Acad
émie and Chevalier de la following d'Honneur.

Légion d'Honneur. During her tenure of the

London theatrical manager, died on October 26 at the age

rank of captain.

Later he joined the film and dramatic department of the agents Curtis Brown and reprebecame production manager of Arlantic Union Films and afterwards (for Sir Michael Balcon) casting and publicity director of Gainsborough Pictures. During 1930 he began his personal business as a publicity agent, a venture that developed steadily until the firm acted as the sole representative of some of the most celebrated players, directors and writers of the time.

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sight. Until the court of the she regularly attended the annual meeting of the Court of to the court of the c until 1952 she was Acting Prolege of Swansea, and took a fessor of French Language and personal interest in the ball of Literature at the University of residence that bears her name.

#### MR W. J. O'BRYEN

Mr W. J. O'Bryen, the former George and Margaret and Quiet ondon theatrical manager, Wedding. September, 1939, the partner-ship was dissolved when O'Bryen again loined the army, in which he served with the Royal Artillery until demobilization. He became in 1947 a production executive for Sir Alexander Korda and in 1954 founded Television Advisory His wife, Elizabeth Allan, survives him after a marriage of

45 years. MRS MILLIE MILLER Mrs Millie Miller, MP, Labour Leader of Camden

# Borough Council from 1971 to 1973 and the first woman in her party to hold such an office in a London borough, died ou Saturday night at the age of 54. A former Mayor of Stoke Newington (1957-58) and Camden (1967-68), Mrs Willer

won the parliamentary seat for Redbridge, Ilford North, at her second attempt in October 1974, turning a Conservative victory by 275 votes in the earlier election of that year into a gain for Labour by 778.

After leading a worth clish in

JUDGE HADDOW

### FORREST

His Honour Judge Richard
Haddow Focrest, QC, died on
Saturday at the age of 69.
He was educated at Merchant Taylors' at Crosby, and at Pen in the Taylors' at Cosm in th 

#### His written text said : " A Conservative government would not allow the capital transfer tax to Union Congress. become the means of smashing up and fragmenting economic family holdings". He changed that in the speech to: "I do not think it would be acceptable for a moment for a Conservative gov-

fire they would have home him aloft with garlands and left the hall baying for socialists. As it was, he aroused an occa-As it was, he aroused an occastoral low rumble of "hear,
hear". For most of his speech the
uniformly dark-suited audience sat
still and silent, almost as if they
had not moved since their incisive
questioning at the 1976 annual
meeting had shown that Sir Geoffrey Howe knew very little about
EEC agricultural exchange rates.
They wanted to know in detail They wanted to know in detail this year what Mr Peyton would do about the great issues facing British agriculture as it nears the British agriculture as it nears the end of its transitional period of entry to the EEC.

They wanted to hear about the fate of marketing boards, about early changes in the value of the "green pound", about the existence and the conclusions of the Northfield inquiry into land ownership and about the speed and degree of completeness with which a Conservative government would carry out tax changes fav-

about tax. He mentioned the chance of a review here and an examination there. He hoped that the conclusions of the economic and stop lamenting the fact of our development constitution. """ membaration." development committee "will have the effect of blowing away at least some of the tangle, the cobweb of prejudice and dogma with which our tax system is over-

eriment for a conservative gov-eriment to stand by and allow the capital transfer tax to become the means of smashing up and frag-menting economic family hold-

Mr Peyton could not be expected to make commitments in minute detail without access to the data about political realities which are available to members of the Cabinet. He could, however, have been much more specific without placing himself in danger

membershin.

those questions, especially those known imperfections. We should about tax. He mentioned the chance of a review here and an Ministers would be well advised

He gave no clue about what hend he wanted. The phrase could have been taken to mean minor adjustments. It could also have implied revolutionary thange of the type sought by the Trades Air Peyton said afterwards: " It is certainly wrong, as the present Government seeks to do, to off-load upon the common agri-

Each has its proved and well

cultural policy the odium of in-flation and the blame for errors which are very much their own." mistakenly blamed most of the increase in United Kingdom food prices in recent years on the common agricultural policy. You have only to analyse the different factors which have affected food without placing himself in danger of being held to ransom as minister for pledges made when in opposition.

Some of what he said demanded close questioning. He listed the chief methods of supporting farm prices as "deficiency payments, quotas, import levies and intervention buying", He continued:

factors which have affected food prices to recognize that the policy cannot be the principal cause of our food price increases."

When Mr Peyton had finished speaking, Mr Quicke called for questions. There was an eerie silence until Mr Peyton said in an aside that was caught by the microphone: "Perhaps they dare not wind me up again."

That was an exceptionally ill chosen remark, since only the day before Mr Strang, Parliamentary. Secretary at the Ministry of Agriculture, Pisheries and Food, had said: "Some anti-marketeers have

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A drawback with the price control machinery, p 17

# THETTMES **BUSINESS NEWS**



When white

knights wait

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Cash tender offers to seize

control of companies are the

latest rage in the American

business community.
In terms of the fashionable

takeover vocabulary there are

more and more "raiders" seek-ing "sleeping beauties", who in

turn are arming themselves with defensive "black books" and worrying about "white

beauties

# Prospect of sharp rise in reserves is likely to put new strains on pound almost all more dangerous or are likely to be ineffective. However, some of them may

be tried before a final decision

to take the plunge and to raise sterling's value is taken.
A relaxation on controls of

A relaxation on controls of movements of money out of the country was almost included in last week's measures but was decided against at the last moment. It would still be possible to ease controls on the use of sterling for third country trade.

The irony of this is that these

ontrols were brought into effect only at the end of last year and played an important role in the concentrated effort by the Treasury early in the

year to restore international

confidence. These efforts were so successful that they have sub-verted the Treasury's own goal,

which is to maintain stability with competitiveness in the ex-

change rate.
An appreciation of sterling

would lower profits for com-panies as a whole, with a par-ticularly bad effect on those engaged in export manufactur-ing. In the longer run it would,

on most analyses, tend to re-duce the volume of exports and

increase the volume of imports, which even without an appreciation are expected to rise by 11 per cent between the second

half of this year and the second

Against that, it would lower

the rate of inflation at around the turn of the year and might persuade some unions to accept

However, these economic arguments are dominated by the fact that the need to spend

sterling to keep the pound's value down is tending to increase the moncy supply, which is very near the rop of the 9 per cent to 13 per cent range allowed by the Government's targets. These targets have, if

anything, seemed to harden in

the past week and as the year goes on the Government has less room for manouevre about how it meets them.

another 5 to 8 per cent on

On Friday night the company indicated to Mr Miller that it

would improve its offer if the strike was called off.

Mr Miller said yesterday: "I am not saying that the change

in the company's position neces-

sarily justifies a settlement but I believe it significant enough

for the members to return to work so that a formal offer can

BSC protest: More than 2,000 members of the Amalgamated.

Union of Engineering Workers

were operating an overtime ban at the British Steel Corporation

plant in Corby, Northampton-shire, yesterday in protest at

the two-week-long strike by the British Oxygen Company which

has disrupted steel production.
The steelworkers fear the short-

age of vital oxygen could lead

hopfloor verdict today on Leyland plan

want a shop floor commitment to end the existing chaotic

the company cannot give the guarantee of higher productivity demanded by the National Enterprise Board as a condi-

In that event Mr Michael Edwardes, the new chairman of Leyland, will face the need

non of further state aid.

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wards centralized bargaining within two years.

Leyland chiefs see the plan as the only salvation for the strike-plagued car division.

Unless the workers access the plan are the company spread to the

lower wage settlements.

half of 1978.

**Inion chiefs to recommend** 

**3OC** pay offer to stewards

By David Blake

Official currency reserves figures to be published on Wednesday may show a very sharp jump of possibly \$3,000m (about £1,695m) to around \$20,000m which is likely to bring about renewed upwards pressures on the pound from foreign funds flowing in to London when exchange markets

Tressury officials refused to comment yesterday on reports that a decision to revalue the pound was imminent and the pound was imminent and the hope remains that the inflows will stop, but it does seem clear that the Government is now effectively boxed in to a situation where in the last resort it will be forced to let sterling go up if inflows conresult it will be forced to let sterling go up if inflows con-tinue unabated. The recognition of this is likely in itself to intensify the inflows.

It does seem likely that if the rate is allowed to appreciate the rise would be a significant one to bring the rate to a level where the authorities feel it could be defended. That would rule out a limited appreciation of 1 or 2 per cent.

If the exchange rate is allowed to go up at all, it probably would be of the order of 5 per cent so that stability at a new level can be achieved.

Until late last week the hope remained strong in Whitehall hat the inflows of funds would ail off, either of their own cord or in response to the Sovernment's decisions to cut axes and to announce a signifi-ant reduction in the Govern-

nent borrowing requirement. The fact that outside com-nent in the wake of the Chanellor's measures tended to ssume that nothing he had one would prevent the need or a rise in sterling may cone some way to weaken that onfidence which would be iade worse by renewed buying

Whitehall's problem is that feels that the alternatives to lowing the rate to rise are

Donald Macintyre

London today.

itish Ozygeo Company strike,

nch has caused 35,000 lay-offs

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sering of 100 shop stewards

Mr John Miller, national

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f the shop stewards agree, y will recommend to the 30 strikers—mainly tanker vers—that the strike should

called off to allow formal

future of Leyland will be future of Leyland will be futured today. The state-ed car manufacturer's 000 workers have been von-

is present form.

The proposals, backed by the federation of Shipbuilding Engineering Unions' executions.

e, offer pay parity for il work, better layoff and uses benefits and a bonus

the company, in response to
the two-week-long strike
to per cent pay claim for
British Oxygen Compan
has offered 10 per cent
average pay plus a producty deal which would give
the two-week-long strike
British Oxygen Compan
has disrupted steel pro
The steelworkers fear th
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to widespread lay-offs.

talks to be reconvened.

### Advertising curb on monopolies proposed

By Patricia Tisdall Government powers to curb advertising and promotional spending by monopoly holders are proposed in a series of legislative amendments which the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection is hoping to introduce during the next parliamentary session.

The restrictions, which could offect a wide range of consumer industries, could be implemented if the Monopoly Commission reported unfavourably on the effect of advertising levels on competition.

It is intended to introduce the new power as an alteration to the part of the Fair Trading Act, relating to monopolies and mergers to enable the Secretary of State to restrict advertising or other promotional expendi-

Heavy advertising by monopoly holders is frequently seen by the Monopolies Commission as restricting competition by creating barriers to new en-

The Government's plan is to bring in the changes relating to restrictive practices and consumer protection as well as to competition policy under the umbrella of new legislation on consumer safety.

Some of the amendments are

seen as significantly widening the discretionary powers of the Director General of Fair Trading and the Secretary of State for Consumer Protection as well as broadening the overall scope of the legislation

Other proposed measures to strengthen the Secretary of State's powers relating to monopolies and mergers in-clude a new facility to enable the commission to submit an interim report in the course of its investigations. At present, several years can clapse be-tween the initial reference and the final report.

A third proposed amendment would broaden the Director General of Fair Trading's powers to enable him to make a general reference to the com-

Intense opposition to some the amendments proposed of the amendments proposed on consumer protection aspects of the Fair Trading Act has been registered by the Retail Consortium. In a strongly worded letter to the department, Mr Richard Weir, director of the consortium, says that the changes while not benefiting consumers could lead to higher prices. Among the changes which

the consortium objects to most is the removal of a clause which requires proof that a trade practice adversely affects the economic interests of consumers. According to the consultative document it is pro-posed to amend the wording to enable the Consumer Protection Advisory Committee to consider whether a practice may be expected to have such adverse effects without having to find specific evidence of it

having done so.
Mr Weir says that "the suggestion that a practice should become criminal without a shred of evidence being adduced that it has any adverse effect is both repugnant and profoundly depressing",

One of his immediate prob-

lems—a strike by 600 vehicle inspectors which has stopped Mini and Allegro production at

Longbridge—may be resolved today. The inspectors, who supped work a week ago over a £3 a week regrading claim, will be recommended to return

to work. Union-management talks on

settling the strike which has shut the Chrysler works at Lin-wood, Renfrewshire, resumed

## BSC calls in unions for crisis talks

The British Steel Corporation has called in union leaders for talks on the "critical" state of the industry's finances. Losses for the first six months of the year total £200m, and unions fear that draconian measures to curb the mounting deficit

Talks will take place on Friday, but in the interim Mr Bill Sirs, chairman of the TUC steel industry committee, and general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, is seeking discussions at mini-sterial level to forestall any panic moves that would cut the industry's labour force or result in premature plant

Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, the sponsoring minister for steel, is known privately to hold the view that the industry must be supported by the public purse to see it through the worldwide ecession caused by low orders.

But his advisers and the corporation's board are alarmed at British Steel's downward financial spiral, and want some thing to be done about it.
Unions are sympathetic

about the corporation's cash plight but argue that it is not analogous to British Leyland where labour problems are dragging the state firm down. So they will oppose plans to close plant or to suspend the industry's guaranteed working

Mr Bob Scholey, chief executive of BSC, has accepted an invitation to address the full executive council of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation on November 14, by which time the corporation's cards will be on the table.

Plants understood to be most at risk are Ebbw Vale, East Moors, Cardiff, and Bilston, Staffordshire. And with demand continuing at a low ebb, the industry's forward investment plans are almost certain to be a

Unions have in the accepted compromise solutions designed to cut losses by a tighter control of wage costs and by natural wastage. But they have always stood out against suspension of the guaranteed working week or wholesale "butchering" of plant. The agenda ford BSC's talks

one issue: the parlous state of the industry's finances, but this first meeting is not expected to

achieve any agreement on cost saving measures.

Sir Charles Villiers, BSC chairman, said last week that if the industry were in private hands, it would be bankrupt. But the unions do not take this too seriously; they have heard it before from Sir Monty Finniston, the dregious chairman who ton, the previous chairman, who was deposed by the Govern-

They are, however, anxious about reports filtering through from Whitehall that Mr Varley

New details of the British

electronic components in-dustry's plan to safeguard Mul-lard, the country's sole colour

television tube maker, emerged yesterday—and showed how the set-makers plan to sidestep a potentially difficult cost pro-

It would mean that Mullard,

which is a subsidiary of Philips, the Dutch electronics

group, would set up a produc-tion line in Britain for a new

product, a 90 degree in-line tube with a 20-inch screen size.

Mullard has previously

poured cold water on the idea

of producing 90 degree in-line tubes for the Japanese group Hitachi if the Government approves Hitachi's controversial plans for an assembly factory in Washington, near Newcastle mon Type

Hitachi has suggested that if

factory to get up to a 70 per cent British sourcing for its components. Without such a deal Hitachi would at most

reach a 50 per cent sourcing.

dustry with a view to improving

the effectiveness of the exist-

ing self-regulatory machinery".
Mr Richardson's early response was to ask Mr David Mac-

donald, director-general of the Takeover Panel, and Mr Jeffrey

Knight, deputy chief executive of the Stock Exchange, to pre-pare in great secrecy a working

paper on what sort of approach

This was duly delivered to the

Bank of England in April and was the subject of wider consultations within the City. The Macdonald-Knight paper recommended a new body which

would have regulatory authority over the securities industry

As such it provoked some opposition from a body of opinion, headed by Lord Shaw-

cross, chairman of the Take-

over Panel, which argued for an authority with broad powers over the whole spectrum of activities within the City. In essence this would amount to a

Despite some sympathy tor this view it has been decided

in the first instance to proceed more cautiously by aiming for a more narrowly defined body. This would stand over the

activities now carried out by the Takeover Panel and the

Stock Exchange in the areas of

takeover and merger regula-tions and listing requirements,

City Commission.

respectively.

should be adopted.

Newcastle upon Tyne.

Commercial Editor



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#### These terms, as well as others such as "bearing", "casual pass" and "Saturday night special" all have special meanings these days to top American corporate executives. The volume of tender offers is risunder pressure from his ing, and like any new American business innovation, it has already spawned a long list of advisers to permit severe cut-backs that would mean many

dustry's plan, which has been put to the Department of Industry by the Radio Industry Council (RIC), would involve a much larger production volume which the British setmakers would take up at the expense of present tube in

expense of present tube im-

to export tubes at its current

figure of around 400,000 a year

the RIC plan would, it is expected, lift Mullard produc-

tion from 1.1 million a year to approaching the 1.5 million which Mullard regards as the

break-even point for its two British factories.

Production of the cheaper 90 degree in-line tubes in Britain

by Mullard is seen primarily as a safeguard for Mullard's

3,400 workforce. It is possible

a new production line could

produce extra jobs but this

would not necessarily follow because of the increasingly

mechanized state of the in-

Provided Mullard continues

ports.

exotic expressions.

In 1977 the number of tender offers in the United States may exceed the 113 record total of 1975. This compares with just 62 in 1968 and a mere seven in 1960. The range of ways to succeed with offers and the range of means of thwarting them are rapidly increasing, according to a study by the United States Conference United

Opportunities for successful tender offers are particularly good now that share prices are so depressed. The "sleeping beauties" today, the Conference Board says, are those vulner-able companies that have low price earnings ratios; a stock rock value above the going market price, a limited number

of shares ourstanding, under-valued assets, a highly-liquid rinancial position, unused bor-rowing capacity and limited insider share control.

The "raid" technique is now mmon with companies strip ing to control others with unnegotiated tender offers. Also remmon is the "Saturday night special", sometimes called the "blitzkrieg" where a tender is made for cash in the open for a brief period of time. "Bearnugs" are also becoming more publicar with the target compopular with the target compary's management, but not its

Mullard was prepared to mechan produce such tubes it would be dustry, possible for the Washington If the shareholders, being notified of proposed tender offer at a If the Government approved Hitachi's Washington factory the fear is that British setmakers would for cost reasons competition switch more to imported tubes at Mullard's expense. Mullard

fixed price and subject to specified conditions According to Mr Patrick
Davey, of the Conference Board,
the development of defence
strategies against possible
"raids" is increasing. Companies are organizing defence
teams that that to consider of might then have to shed up to 2,000 workers by 1980. teams that tend to consist of top corporate officers and outside legal, investment banking and public relations advisers.

Black books" are said to Turnover of the Co-operative are designed to belp discourage or counter unnegotiated offers.
Mr Davey says these books
typically include details about
the fastest ways of contacting checklists of precautionary mea sures and emergency defence

strategies But the keen "raider" must. according to the new vocabu-lary, be careful of the "white knight", who is sometimes called the "prince charming" or the "sweetheart"—a company that steps in to thwart the ambi-tions of the "raider" by acquir-

Frank Vogl

### Dealers reject charge | TV makers in scheme of selling sterling short to safeguard Mullard

In a staunch defence of their role in the financial framework London's fireign exchange dealers reject the accusations that they have been in any way responsible for selling sterling short in their evidence to the

Wilson Committee on the workings of financial institutions.
The dealers claim that by helping to encourage a two-way market they have restricted the amount of selling at times when sterling has been under pres-

To protect their strong posi-tion in an increasingly compe-titive environment, however, the dealers say they will need "to innovate and modify and indeed abandon where necessary cus-toms and practices which are no longer appropriate

At the moment the London foreign exchange market is looking at ways of introducing new technology. In particular, it says, a system of international compu-terized dealing is being devel-oped which "will revolutionize the profession".

London foreign exchange dealers are in an especially sensitive position at present since their powers effectively to restrict entry are being challenged in the European Commission by Sarabex, a London based dealer which claims it has been denied

Among the other mission members are: Mrs Helen

Sasson, managing director Busi-

ness Perspectives, organizer, in association with The Times;

Mr Alastair Down, chairman Burmah Oil ; Mr Alistair Frame,

deputy chief executive Rio
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Tozer, Kemsley & Millbourn (Holdings); Sir Fred Warner, chairman of Guinness Peat (Overseas).

Business

membership of the Foreign Exchange and Currency De-posit Brokers' Association. The EEC is presently deliberating on the reply of the FECDBA to the charges that it running a cartel arrangement

in London. In what reads like a public defence of that role, the foreign exchange dealers say in their Wilson submissions that the formal framework—estab-lished by the bank and deaters with the Bank of England's en-couragement—has "set levels of excellence eyed enviously by those beset by market problems overseas \*\*.

Because of this, the dealers argue, London has avoided the excesses that have plagued some other financial centres, and right regulation provided an important stimulus to London's development as a Eurocurrency

The dealers also argue that "capacity and depth" London is preeminent. In addition they claim, customers can shop around for the most advantageous prices, whereas many European markets still operate under daily fixings.

In its submission to the EEC, for instance, Sarabex argued that brokerage scales in London were much higher than in other EEC countries.

### However, Hitachi initially would take only 25,000 such tubes a year, of 22-inch size. Self-regulatory body for team arrives | securities industry to be announced soon by City

By Andrew Goodrick-Clarke Financial Editor

Peking, Oct 30.—A top-level delegation of British business leaders arrived in Peking today for a symposium and talks last-A statement of intent to go ing ten days with officials on business prospects in China. forward with the formation of new self-regulatory body for The delegation is headed by Lord Roll, chairman of S. G. Warburg, with Mr William Rees-Mogg, editor of The Times, as deputy leader. the securities industry is ex-pected within the next few

At the same time Mr Gordon Richardson, Governor of the Bank of England, who is leading this City initiative, is expected to announce the name of a leading public figure pre-pared to be chairman of the new board.

This approach of selecting a chairman first who will take on responsibility for establishing exact working guidelines for the board through further wide consultation has apparently been decided on in preference to producing an exact formula first and then seeking a chairman. It is similar to the procedure adopted during the establishment of Equity Capital for Industry (the so-called Equity

Bank) last year. The idea of forming an over-riding authority to regulate the securities industry on a non-statutory basis emerged following a statement from Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, in late 1976 which effectively gave the Government's blessing to the financial community's continuing a policy of self-

Mr Dell asked the Bank of England to develop the sur-veillance of the securities in-

France and Hungary aim to double trade

France and Hungary yester-day pledged to double their trade as soon as possible. A joint communiqué after a three-day visit to Budapest by M Raymond Barre, the French Prime Minister, said the two sides decided to aim for a better trade balance.

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#### CWS turnover expands 11.4pc

Wholesale Society, the central buying operation for Britain's largest retailing organization increased 11.41 per cent during the first six months of 1977 compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Announcing the half-yearly sales total of £616.5m at a share-holders' meeting in London at the weekend, Mr W. H. Farrow, chairman, said: "It now seems we can expect to see an upturn in real consumer spending and bence in retail trading provided we also maintain effective and sensible control over wage in-creases", but competition was "ferocious", he added.

# ing the target company itself.

Economists are critical of

intervention by Whitehall

By Our Economics Staff Two pamphlets critical of government intervention in the

arguments used to support it,
are published today.

Mr John Jewkes, formerly a
Professor at Oxford University,
argues\* that government intervention aimed at restructuring industry has often caused

harm. Policy should concentrate on encouraging competition and removing controls over prices and profits which are particularly barmful to small firms.

can be attributed to excessive concentration. government intervention in the economy, and of some of the arguments used to support it, search Councilt says that there is no case for the introduction of import controls.

Dr Clark argues that if the
Government restricted its demands on resources the ternal account could be in con-

stant balance.

Delusions of Dominance: John Jewkes. Hobart Paper 76, from IEA, 2 Lord North Street, London, SW1, £1 † The Balance of Payments He also denies that the dis-appointing performance of search Council, 55 Park Lane, British industry in recent years London W1, price 50p.

### ords condemn EEC directive on commercial gents as inflexible and distorting competition

work.

In return, the management for some harsh decisions when want a shop floor commitment he takes up his new position

tempts by the European mission in Brussels to in-re with national laws in which are not altoin judicious" are criticized to House of Lords Select nittee report on the EEC i on commercial agents. e proposals would cover idual agents and agency anies, and the committee lier the chairmanship of Diplock, a Lord of all questions the whole ple of imposing fixed irds

ırds commercial in terms which favour the ercial agents are imposed, the principals will find means of selling their by employing their own lers, by employing com-magents who act in their ames, or by forming suby companies", the com-

stortions of business are ing through English agents ing through English agents ible rules."

it claimed by the commission the domestic market would

sion that the directive would remove "a continuing and quite definite inequality of the conditions of competition". The committee comments "We feel the lack of any supporring evidence. In so far as a manufacturer wishes to sell directive seeking to co-ate the laws of member on commercial agents.

petition. Each manufacturer will be in the same position, according to whether or not the country in question has adopted rules resembling those in the directive.
"The notion that a manufac

turer will be positively debar-red from selling in a country where agencies are so favoured seems to us to be fanciful." The committee points out, too, that the directive is not intended to govern only international transactions in which the manufacturer is in one member state and the agent in another. It would apply to trade within each state, so that an English manufacturer deal-

have to accord his ag terms of the directive.

"We do not accept this farreaching proposition", says the as might have been expected committee. "If there is to be there are agents at the mercy a single market of the size of the Community, the need for flexibility in the ways in which

Another Commission statement, "that most commercial agents are economically in a weak position vis à vis their principals", is also attacked. "Evidence given by the Manufacturers' Agents Associa-tion of the United Kingdom was that there are 20,000 agents in this country", the commit-tee points out. "It is difficult to believe that the commission

knows the conditions under

'most' of these persons

and their economic

Evidence by the association showed that the standard form contract now being accepted. by British principals went even farther than the directive, especially in respect of the goodwill compensation clause.

that they have turned out much there are agents at the mercy of their principals, there are principals at the mercy of their agents, and in the middle a commercial transactions are substitutial body of agents carried out seems to be all the whose services are much in demand and who are steadily improving their position. The committee concludes: "We are unconvinced that these

interferences are, as the com-mission contends, called for so as to prevent competition from being distorted.
"The general law of a nation is not something which has come into existence by accident; it arises from the local circumstances, habits, and sentiments of the people; changes in it must be effected only with

care and where real need can be demonstrated." This is the fourth report in succession which has criticized the commission on grounds.

\*Fifty-first report of the House of Lords Select Committee on the European Communities: Commer-

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operations and which, it is hoped, will reduce production costs by 20 to 30 per cent, without redundancies.

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their machines

After at first concentrating prioring.

Aero-Print has continued to and the Middle East, Aero-grow and today is supplying about 50 million tickets a year in about a dozen different lan- and Central America the marketing about 50 million tickets a year and Central America the marketing the marketi kets most recently attacked. This almost global coverage has been achieved by a sales able world market bave to be force which has never qualified, in that the "available market" is defined as excluding the Communist block and the North American competition from American, by the companion of the competition of the competiti

Dutch, German and other printers, it is unlikely that Aero-Print can look forward to enhancing to any great extent its existing share of the mar-ket. It is, therefore, now inves-tigating the introduction of new products in the security printing field and a new plant extension which will come into use at about the end of next year will provide the facilities

#### opportunity A company Aero-Print is a specialist pro-ucer of airline making its ducer documentation—tickers, excess the use of special printing inks baggage tickers, way-bills and and chemically sensitized so on—and claims to have paper. Alusuisse decided to gained about half the market back the project and a plant imprint on the world's airlines There is a widespread view

that an important element in Britain's relative industrial decline has been a failure to match competitors such as Germany and Japan in the dewas a not very prosperous sub-sidiary of Alusuisse. Research revealed that airlines were sufwelopment of new products which are carefully designed to meet an identified market need and which sell largely on quality rather than on price Last week, however, one British company—Aero-Print of Aylesbury—received formal recognition of its achievements the printing was done by general printers and that the desired simply Aytesbury — received formal It was found that much of skills of a larger security ing its price competitiveness. This year it has brought into use f400,000 worth of new its market precisely on the documents were treated simply basis of identifying a market as business forms, which pro-

dling its Mercedes Benz cars truck plant at Worth on the and commercial vehicles from the Thomas Tilling group.

The immediate concern as British Leyland—piecemeal

the largest commercial vehicle tive manning, market in Europe—which per- This, then, was the back-

expressed privately by British

and foreign competitors alike was that Daimler Benz would

use its muscle to build up a large sales base for its heavy trucks. The ability of foreign truck makers to sell in Britain had already been

Indeed, Daimler Benz admit-

ted that it was the Tilling

group's reluctance to expand into commercial vehicles—

despite the fact that Britain is

market in Europe-naise p-sunded it to set up its own wholly owned subsidiary,

Only recently, however, has another reason emerged. At

demonstrated by Volvo.

Mercedes Benz UK.

open to it through its introduction of security printing techniques. For its achievements the company last week received the 1977 National Marketing Award, in the small company category, given by the Institute of Marketing. The foundations of Aero-Print's success were laid in the late 1960s when the company

careful

fering a variety of problems which basically arose from the inadequate qualities of the printed documents and inappropriate distribution proce-

production in too many old

plants-Dr Joachim Zahn, the 63-year-old head of Daimler

Benz, gambled that he could use car assembly line techni-ques to build trucks.

Worth, with its computer consols and huge automated

welding lines was the answer. Today it is readily apparent that whatever its teething

troubles may have been. Worth is now setting new standards

ground to the purchase of Mercedes Benz UK. But how has it performed in the inter-

Contrary to some forecasts it

vening four years?

productivity and cost effec-

working under a board of which Sir Richard Powell, former Permanent Secretary at the Board of Trade, is chair-By 1972 the company had gained nearly a quarter of the available world market.

However, security printing was hardly in the mainstream

of Alusuisse's activities and Aero-Print was beginning to

feel the need for the support the research and development

saw good business in introduc-ing security elements such as

was equipped at Aylesbury.
Peter Caithness, sales and
marketing director, joined the

company in 1970, and he and

John Ward, the works director,

are the sole executive directors

vided little defence against for whom he had previously fraud and forgery. Aero-Print worked, and in 1973 Alusuisse saw good business in introduc-sold its shareholding to Brad-

in the first two and a half years of its existence. The car

side has always been profitable

with British dealers selling all they could key hands on but

car profits, and more, were required to build a commercial

vehicle network and persuade fleet users to switch to Mer-cedes trucks and vans.

Now according to Herr Erich Krampe, the 42-year-old manag-

ing director, Mercedes Benz UK, became profitable "as a whole sometime in the past year". He declines to answer

year". He declines to answer questions about the relative

profitability of cars and trucks

or indeed to say whether the commercial vehicle side is yet

But he is adamant that the

company is now in the final

making profits of any kind.

Mercedes Benz near the end of a long haul when it purchased the United kingdom sales company handling its Mercedes Benz cars and commercial vehicles from Daimler Benz of Stuttgert heavy trucks and light vans. It keting of heavy trucks. At the caused a stir in the British was also installing increased same time it should be pointed the 1973 record of 6,377. Re could sell more, but with waiting lists of two years and more on the German home market

bury Wilkinson, which specia-lizes particularly in bank note

in about a dozen different lan-guages to more than 60 air-lines. The claims to have gained about half of the avail-

Much of this business has been gained because the attrac-tions of the product were suffi-cient to offset lower prices

quoted by competitors.
Raving sold until now largely on the basis of quality,
Aero-Print has increasingly

been concentrating on improv-

domestic market.

exports have to be rationed. Daimler Benz is working all the extra shifts the meta workers' union will allow and expects to raise production this year to 400,000 cars compared with 370,000 last year. A £1,500m investment programme is under way and a large part of this is intended to lift car output still higher.

A new estate car—the first from Mercedes—is just going into production at Bremen-and will add about 20,000 units

Because of the supply prob-lems, Herr Krampe has held back on the appointment of new car dealers. Instead he has concentrated on replacing them in areas where represen tation was weak. The arrival of more cars will enable him to take the road to expansion again.

stages of its difficult starting-On the commercial vehicle front the picture is not quite

sales in the first pine months by over 27 per cent, but in the all important heavy lorry sec-tor it took a fall of 7.6 per cent.

Herr Haus Tauscher, general manager of the commercial vehicle operations, says that this was due almost entirely to problems involved with the phasing out of old models and the introduction of Mercedes new generation "heavies". He insists that with the changeover now complete, and with the arrival of lorries specially adapted to meet British tastes. articulated lorry sales will im prove again.

With 25 per cent of his sales coming from "panel" vans (models not derived from cars) he is looking for a further lift when the new Bremen produced van range arrives next month. Mercedes Benz UK has about

40 commercial dealers at present The new vans will present it with the opportunity to strengthen this network.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Protecting the commercial agent

From the president of the Italy, where the Enasarco pro-International League of Com- visions confer considerable benmercial Travellers and Agents Sir, The comments of your Commercial Editor, Mr Derek harmonized law relating to commercial agents are not surprising, based as they are on the report of the Law Commission

Space will not permit detailed rebuttal of this report; suffice it to say that the Law Commission is unsympathetic towards a problem which it manifestly fails to understand, and upon which it has both feet firmly planted in mid-air.

The situation which requires reform is recognized by legis-lation in the German Federal Republic, France, Benelux and

efits upon the self-employed commercial agent. Outside the EEC, Finland, Norway, Sweden. mercial Editor, Mr Derek and Switzerland have seen fit. Harris, on the EEC proposed to enact laws to protect the harmonized law relating to commercial agent. This is because it is recognized that the commercial agent is a Quasi-employee in character, standing in a position of negotiating inferiority visa-vis his principal. The overwhelming majority of agents are one-man businesses, sometimes with only one agency, but where more than one is held the greater part of income will arise from

one main agency, the rest being supplementary in character. tion/ASTMS-includes within

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than in any other single grouping within the UK. The legal files of UCTA/ASIMS reveal beyond doubt that the commer-cial agent in the UK is in as much need of protection against the abuses of principals as his mainland colleagues.

Fortunately, the Legal Com-mittee of the European Parlia-ment, the working party of the EEC Economic and Social Committee, and the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry differ completely in their attitude to the proposal from the Law Commission. Yours sincerely, JOHN A. GANNON,

17 Swiss Cottage, Bollinbrook Road, Upton, Macclesfield, Cheshire.

### Funded public sector pension schemes

Discrimination' against services

From the charman of the National Association of Pension

Sir, In his letter published on October 26, Mr Raymond Nottage again pleads for ceasing to fund public sector pension schemes I would like to make the following points:

(i) Provided a real return is realized on investment (the realized on investment (the pressing need for which is now becoming universally recognized) it is cheaper long-term to meet pension liabilities through funded schemes than via Pay-As-You-Go.

(ii) Funded schemes require liabilities to be provided for as they are incurred and therefore discourage inflated future promises. (iii) Members of funded public sector schemes and their

From Mr J. B. Bransbury

Sir, There is an interesting

illustration of Mr David How-

the so-called Unfair

Contract Terms Act receiving the Royal Assent on October

26 and starting to operate on

The Act puts added burdens on manufacturers and both

suppliers of goods and sup-

pliers of services; but it care-

fully excludes contracts for the

February 1 next.

trade unions would be extremely suspicious of dissipation of the assets invested to meet their deferred pay" or any failure to continue such provision. Estimates of cash flow ex-

pressed in money terms assuming 10 per cent inflation are bound to look enormous in terms of today's units but will have to be judged in relations to gross domestic product, etc, similarly inflated. There is no evidence that pension funds are yet finding it impracticable to

invest accruing monies.
Yours faithfully, Prudential House.

Mercifully the exclusion overrides the inclusion, that is to say, if possession or ownership of goods passes the con-

tract appears to be outwith the Act notwithstanding that ser-vices are also supplied.

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Yours faithfully

BRIAN BRANSBURY

Kirby House, 31 High Street East,

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Government would not budge.

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#### supply of goods, or under which possession or ownership of goods passes, which are "international" as defined in the Act, which broadly means export contracts. There is no the time of the purchase has not made any dramatic Daimler Benz was investing moves to buy sales, although heavily in the development of there has clearly been some Uppingham, Rutland LE15 9PY. up period. He expects to sell about so rosy. Across the range Mer-6,500 cars this year breaking cedes a complete new range of cars, price mamoeuvring in the mar-October 26.

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#### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

## Mergers on a tight rein

Close students of takeovers have for some time questioned the validity of the financial arguments put forward by way of justification for growth through merger. Until now such views have remained in an academic backwater, commanding no sympathy in the City or industry and little enough in government. Although unwanted bids have occasionally been killed off by the simple device of a reference to the Monopolies-Commission, government has had no ideological objection to bids. Arguably its bias has been in favour of them since references have not generally been made unless there has been reason to think a merger would militate against the public interest. For example, there were only four references last year out of a total of 353

The question now is whether all this is changing. Last week, on a visit to GEC/ Marconi in Portsmouth the Prime Minister made it clear that he is personally taking a much more jaundiced view of mergers. He referred to a study he had seen which

#### **ACQUISITIONS**

	Acquiring No	Acquired No	(£m) Vālue
1969	686	846	1.068.9
1970	629	793	1.122.5
1971	687	884	911.1
(972	928	1,210	2,531.6
1973	92 <del>9</del>	1.205	1,304.3
1974	427	504	508.4
1975	276	315	290.8
1976	315	353	427.2

Source: Trade and Industry.

showed that perhaps half of all mergers brought no benefits either to the companies concerned or the country. He added that on the hard evidence of profitability and productivity mergers sometimes took place where the benefits had failed to outweigh the disadvantages.

How seriously should his remarks be taken as a pointer to government thinking? At this stage there is probably not much reason for the City to worry. There has been no feedback from the Department of Trade to the effect that merger activity should slow down in the way that it did, for instance, after the takeover boom of 1972-73. And although the pace of Monopolies Commission references appears to have been stepped up recently—there have been three within the past month—the Commission's capacity to take on new investigations is strictly limited. As a public issue the question of takeovers is hardly a hot one, and there have been no massive, bitterly contested bids on the Grand Metropolitan/Watney pattern for some time to ruffle the present calm.

At the moment it is even hard to tell whether Mr Callaghan's remarks reflect the views of the government departments most closely involved in takeover matters, or whether his speech was merely tailored to a particular occasion.

In the longer term, however, it would not be surprising to see government looking

Mince autumn 1976, engineering shares have

ecently gone into decline. General

by the relatively good results of the inter-

ational contractors like Davy, but the

continuing poor demand for capital goods

n general puts this better performance at

If economic activity worldwide and in he United Kingdom in particular increases

lext year this recent underperformance sould provide the best buying opportunity

But there are precious few encouraging

igns. Stockbrokers Phillips & Drew are

ill fairly optimistic about improving

rospects in 1978, but their latest quarterly

wiew downgrades previous forecasts and

oare Govert's recent survey of the

Companies themselves are far from

primistic. GKN estimates car production in

eel industry are, if anything, getting worse

ith rock-bottom price imports coming in

United Kingdom will improve 8 per cent

1.46 million next year, but truck output a small provement in tractors.

igineering outlook is positively gloomy.

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well find its counterpart in a greater under lying antagonism to growth through acquisition. Mr Leyer has made it clear he does not expect big companies to increase their workforces, even in the event of an uplift in the economy, and that it is therefore to small companies that government must look for a fall in unemployment. In this context the kind of rationalization (that is, cuts in the workforce) that frequently follows a bid is the last thing government wants to see now that the Chancellor is again talking in terms of lower unemployment as a top priority.

#### Gold shares

#### Politics rule sentiment

In just under two weeks, the gold price has shown a slight increase to close at \$161.25 an ounce on Friday, but South African gold shares have collapsed, underlining once again the sector's extreme sensitivity to political factors. From this year's peak on October 18, the FT Gold Mines Index, in ex-premium terms, has fallen from 130.9 to

105.6, a drop of over 19 per cent. The gold share market has continuously moved away from the small investor to the professionals over the past three years and seems likely to become an increasingly specialized area. An important factor has pecome the extreme volatility of the sector.

Until the recent fall, the ex-premium index had risen by about 80 per cent from its low for the year in February. During the recent slide, the announcement that the United States was recalling its Ambassador from Pretoria took a full 10 per cent of the index in a couple of hours.

Although much has been made of the beneficial impact if the 25 per cent surrender rule on the investment dollar premium is abolished, it would in fact be unlikely to have much impact on share Given the political volatility of Africa and the fact that many institutions have firmly set themselves against investing in South African companies, the only real effect would have been to increase the degree of switching by existing holders.

Additionally, London's importance in the gold share market has severely diminished in recent years (not least because of the surrender rule) and it is America that now provides the investment indications.

Friday's sharp rise in share prices was due to a feeling that the downward pressure had been overdone and the ratio of the ex-premium index to the gold price was restored to 0.65:1. Analysts argue that even here, prices are too low-two weeks ago the ratio was 0.75:1 and at the top of the bull market it was running at 1.75:1. Historical correlations however are fallacious since political problems are becoming so much more pressing. The

index may well sustain further increases but a 1:1 ratio is unlikely to be exceeded whatever the gold price, and any intensifimuch more closely at merger activity. The cation of western political anger at Sou present adulation for small companies could Africa could again bring sharp reverses. cation of western political anger at South . Uncertain times for engineers

growth sufficient to produce anything but

marginal volume growth in general engineering, the prospects for profits

depend very much on a maintenance of

margins. Raw material costs are likely to

fall, but wage costs could easily rise 16 per cent under phase three, and, as wage costs

are often three times engineering company

But there will still be growth areas. Diesels will benefit Lucas, Associated Engineering, Hawker Siddeley and Sheep-bridge. The increasing switch to front wheel

drive cars, will help GKN which has almost

a world monopoly of supplying the joints.

Tube Investments will still be gaining

efficiency from its capital spending over

the past few years and Simon Engineering will be benefiting from its fee-contracts.

In general, though, the outlook is fairly depressing. The rise in profits seen in 1976

depended more on currency and stock gains

than had been thought, and there is less

evidence now than there seemed some

months ago of any underlying improvement

At the heart of the problem is the safeguards. These come in two varieties, both intro-duced by Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, when the reorganized Commission was given its new powers of investigation with an option to After comfortably outperforming the market from countries in the Eastern bloc and the With world trade expected to grow by less than 6 per cent next year, and the United Kingdom unlikely to show economic freeze prices.

tion safeguards. These protect, to a degree, a company's prolitability during a Commission investigation, which has to be completed within three

The key point is that a com-pany car benefit considerably more under these safeguards than under the second variety. These are the principal safe-guards which apply if, following the Commission's report, a price freeze is extended for up to another eight months.

Together with the initial 28day pre-notification period this is how a company's prices can be frozen for a full 12 months. The problem is that any in-

#### Hugh Stephenson

### Monetary policy is still the key

betting man, on looking closely at Mr Healey's budger statement last week, would conclude that the odds had improved in favour of a general election being in the first part of 1979 and not next year at all.

The Chancellor, it is true, used phrases about the main objective being a continuing fall in the level of unemployment and about one of the prime considerations in framing his measures was that they should be quick-acting. Taken by themselves and out of context these might seem indictions that the dicks were being cleared for action next year. But the package, looked at as a whole, seems more designed to give the appearance of action, rather than action itself.

Take public expenditure. Talk of increases of the order of £1,000m seems hig stuff, though the very process of inflation means £1,000m is no longer what it used to be. But, as the Chancellor himself openly admitted, half of that amount had already been amounced in his July mini-budget. The other half, of which the biggest single

construction industry, is not being put into the programme until next financial year.

Nor is the action on the tax side as. dramatic as it would have been from a Chancellor who really wanted to get things moving in 1978. Because of extra ordinarily pessimistic forecast-ing last November and during the first half of this year the headroom under the ceilings for this year's public sector borrowing requirement, negotiated with the International Monetary Fund, could have allowed for tax concessions up to twice as generous as those actually announced

It seems clear that the Government has decided in principle on a strategy of a substantial shift in the relative burden of taxation on to indirect taxes. This will be done by easing the impact of income tex. But, equally, it is clear that the major first step in that direc-tion is still being reserved for the next spring Budget.
If the Government is settling down

to the prospect of enother 18 months in office, apart from the question of the exchange rate, the key issue will be monerary policy. Mr Healey gave no quantitative indications at all of what he intends.

. While by no means an out-and-out monetarist, he believes that "money maners", he believes that money maners" more than most of those about him at the Treasury. He has fared reasonally well this year with his target range of 9 to 13 per cent. The next financial year will be far more difficult, as the economy begins to expand while inflationary pressures

If the Chancellor were not to publish a similar target range for mone-tary expansion in 1978-79, confidence in his intentions would unquestionably be damaged. But his commitment to continued fall in the rate of infla-tion would be called into question if he announced a single range of figures that was any higher than that for The time tras probably come, there-

fore, when the whole presentation of monetary policy should be made more sophisticated in two days. Pirst, the presentation of monetary target ranges should be stated in terms not of a financial year but of "the next six months". These rolling targets could morns inese roung targets come reveiled and restated at regular intervals. (On post form Mh. Healey's twice-yearly extra mini-budgets would be convenient occasions.)

Secondly, this could be combined with an attempt to publish target ranges not just for one, but for several different monetary aggregates, including one, for example, that covered building society deposits and one for

domestic credit expansion. Combined with some comment on the behaviour of such aggregates in the past period immediately under review a more sophisticated presenta-tion of this kind would encourage a correspondingly more sophisticated public, political and official view of the contribution which monetary policy can make to the system as a whole.

saleguards becoming a focus of irritation for companies and

Commission is that it could

lame the attempts by the Commission under Mr Charles Williams, its ex-merchant

banker chairman, to create an aumosphere of basic good will.

The question arises, too, of how the Commission will react

There are signs the Price Commission as fast bluncing its new teeth as far as the prevention of price increases is concerned. It fooks as if a large proportion of the companies that the Commission feels give cause for an investigation of their pricing polyries are going their pricing policies are going to get substantial interim

There is no question of such increases subsequently being rolled back whenever harsh things the Commission might eventually have to say about a company.

Such strictures will no doubt subsequently nend to curb a company's pricing behaviour. After an investigation, too, a company's profitability is less

But at a time when money supply is rising the Commis-sion's ability to stand as a butsoon's against companies charg-wark against companies charg-ing what they think a more affluent market will bear appears to be impaired.

So far four investigations have been announced by the Commission which have involved the question of interim price rises. These have to be requested by a company or organization on the ground that without such rises their profitability would fail below safeguard levels set out in government regulations.

Under the interim rise pro-cedure the electricity supply industry gor what it wanted in full. Metal Box, Fisons and United Glass secured increases of between 6 per cent and 10 per cent, which represented between 70 and 90 per cent of what they wanted.

Barclays Bank chose not to ask for an interim rise when en investigation announced, although chances seem to be that it could have benefited.

First there are the investiga-

crease awarded under the in-terian rise procedure and the Commission has no discretion in this because the regulations lay down precise arithmetical rules—cannot subsequently be

#### Derek Harris describes how the present machinery for dealing with increases could impair some of the effectiveness of the reorganized Price Commission under its chairman, Mr Charles Williams (right)

# **Profiting from** the price safeguards

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manoeuvre.

suspects, producing more generous awards than anybody expected, including possibly the Confederation of Bruish Industry, which had argued for greater safeguards because company profitability has been elmost every case, it could be reessessed or even scrapped. In the principal safeguards only 50 per cent of the base margin is allowed.

fronically, during early dis-cussions on the new price controls the CBI urged on Mr Hat-tersley a roll-back formula for investigation period, akhough that was suggested as an edgernative to an interin price freeze. Mr Hattersley pressed ahead with incerim freezes and may soon rue that be dropped roll-back for this particular section of price control machinery.

The real trouble with the safeguards is that in incor-parating some of the approach and arithmetic of the old strait-jacketed Price Code, they do not fit it with the main philosophy of the new controls. Primarily this has to do with resonable profit levels not being attained by making the customer may higher prices because of suefficiency in an organization. Monopoly exploi-tation is the Commission's

other preoccupation. Dive deep into the investiga tion safeguards and one finds that an organization cannot only invoke as a floor a cur-rent profit margin of 3 per cent, but also a current profit margin of 80 per cent of a base margin.

The base profit margin in the case of pre-nonlying com-panies is effectively tied to the price of a product as at July 1 this year compared with total costs then.

The fear is that this tying of the interim formula is going to introduce the sort of histor ic costs problem which even tually produced so many anomalies in the old Price Code. As inflation adds a progressive distortion to the instoric arithmetic the floor for interim awards could increasingly favour companie

rules—cannot subsequently be rolled back.

The intricate formula government of the difficulty would be to use a moving base wine. If further experience erning interim rises is, one showed that the 80 per cent

claimed under the 3 per cent rule would have taken about another week's accounting work. On a major company's turnover a percentage loss for one week can, of course, be

Since the safeguards are covered by regulations which One of the added problems can be varied at any time by Mr Hautersley, this could be done, although parliamentary for companies in claiming under the safeguards is that it means either keeping a runcould ning set of accounts geared to the old type of Price Code costings or being prepared to rush through such a set of accounts if an investigation is There is a different problem over the 3 per cent margin nule. At least one company appears to have been in the

substantial.

position that if it had claimed The Commission has the dison interim price increase under this it would have got a bigger percentage rise than under the 80 per cent rule.

But with all the difficulties cretion to use current management accounts in its discussions with companies rather than the old code-style accounts. This the Commission appears to be doing, so that the credibility gap between the two types of accounts will of separating out from current costs that part of its activities covered by the controls exports are among a number

An unfortunate effect of the

how the Commission will react to price rise notifications which in any way involve productivity deals under the present phase of pay policy. Since such productivity deals are supposed to be self-financing, the Commission will clearly disallow any price rise in which such an agreement is adduced as a reason for inadduced as a reason for increased costs. It seems more than possible that such agreements, so often complex, may produce arguments that additional special factors are involved that im-

pinge on costs. A company could then presumably, when the Commission again said no, invoke the safeguards.

It remains to be seen how far the Commission would be prepared to, or indeed could, act in such a situation like the old Prices and Incomes Board, Ir would seem sensible to take It would seem sensible to take self-financing productivity deals out of the scope of the

safeguards altogether.

If Mr Hattersley were disinclined too early to opt for a major change in the safe-guards, with all that involves in battling again with the CBI and other interests like those represented by the Retail Consortium, there is one way

out of the dilemma. This would be for him, in-stead of the Commission, to act. He could call for an investigation of a whole product sector. Prices are not frozen during such an investigation, carried out by the Commission, but depending on the investigation's outcome the prices could subsequently be rolled

back.
Safeguards till apply, but in this case it is the less protections are the safeguards. tive principal safeguards

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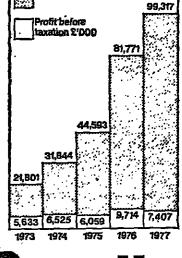
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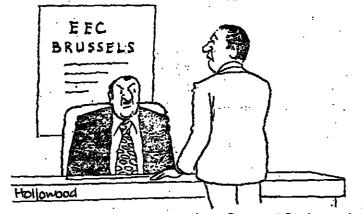
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adrid's hotels are full to over wing this week as the city ays host to the annual coness of the American Society Travel Agents. Some 6,000 legates are expected to attend d competition for their ention is likely to be fierce. e congress lasts six days and sopened by King Juan Carlos. Bruce Taylor, of the British unist Authority's Madrid ice said that one of the ngs the office is stressing is 900th anniversary of the wer of London next year. jor Ceneral Digby Raeburn, per of the Tower and per of the Jewel House, is Madrid and the BTA has en a salon at the Ritz, the y botel in Spain which still ists that ties be worn, where sis will be ushered in by for revision of the Treaty?

Iso on hand will be a con-r Michael Bailey, who appraises sales promotion in

ritish Airways is running a spitality suite at the ce Hotel According to mond Dix, marketing manfor Spain and the Western iterranean, Concorde will an important part in its 3 effort.

10 French, as usual, as 3 ous not to be outdone. Their ist board will be holding a id gala at which Sacha



You realize, I suppose, that Greece, Spain and Portugal could mean three more members clamouring

Freddy Laker's Skytrain is not the only service flying the North Atlantic that asks for cash on the nail. The West German Luftwaffe, which sometimes has the job of flying cabinet ministers and senior officials to international meetings, takes a similar view of in-

flight service. Dr Hans Apel, the West German Finance Minister, and his state secretary, Manifed Lahnstein, have, for instance found that it is as well to carry

apparently they would have gone hungry had not an aide stepped in with the necessary 20-mark notes.

There are other hazards for West German politicians using the Luftwaffe's services. One or two dress-conscious cabinet ministers have arrived at their destinations in a state of slight embarrassment because of oil flecks on their suits.

It seems that the Boeing 707s provided by the Luftwaffe for Germany's VIPs are dual-purpose planes and are often hastily pressed into passenger service after carrying freight.

In a resbuffle at International

Distillers & Vintners Bull has been appointed managing director of the group's European division. As such, he will be responsible for subsidiaries producing table wines, port and sherry in France, Germany, Italy, Spain and Portugal. Naturally, the new job in-olves travelling widely. Al-

though his appointment does not take effect until tomorrow, Buil has already been to France and is soon to visit Spain and Before he joined IDV in 1962

he had been with the Dorland advertising agency and worked his way into general manage-ment via sales and marketing. He intends putting his marketing experience to good use and will be particularly interested in the new and growing markets for port and sherry in Scandi-North America and Cenada.

France will have a new two franc coin in circulation in 1979. The finance ministry says the coin is needed for use in slot machines, for newspapers (whose price is getting close to two francs), tips and church collections, where one franc is too little and five francs too much. In fact, of course, the new coin is a reflection of inflation and of the fall in the purchasing power of the franc-

It was to have been in silver and 100 million were to be struck. But the cost proved too much and that project was The new two franc piece, like the present one franc coin, is to be in cupronickel. The cost of

production will be 0.66 francs, while the present one franc coin costs the Treasury 0.60 francs. As 150 million will be struck, the gain to the state will be about 200m francs. The two franc coin has a long

After the First World War is was made of copper. Under the German occupation even that was scarce and the coin was struck in aluminium by the Vichy regime. The Fourth Republic did not issue any.

The 10 franc coin issued in

1974 has not been a success.

People also complain that it too heavy and is ugly in

While most of us still flinch at the very mention of Christmas, this month's edition of Retail Confectioner Tobacconist blithely running a special few ture on Easter eges.

a little extra cash when flying with the Luftwaffe. On their ei will be the star turn. way to the International Moneher nations are working tary Fund meeting in Washinglast month they were George Bull, who stepped down secredly presented with a as chairman of the British Wine for their meals, and and Spirit Association this sumtoo. The Mexicans, for ton last month they were unexpectedly presented with a nce, are providing cowboyfolk picnics-weather peralso on

mer, will in future be spending much of his time on the franc coin was taken in 1959. apandoned.

> history. It first appeared under the Consulate and weighed 10 grammes of silver. Every successive regime in France in the past 150 years has had one but the intrinsic value of the coin declined steadily.

The most frequent complaint is that it can easily be confused with the 20 centimes coin. design and colour.

The decision to issue a two

### Short Brothers' pursuit of Fairey is another milestone in 76-year history of air pioneers

Industry in the Regions

that if things go Shorts' way the best possible advantage", there will be no sudden in he says. crease in the 6,350 workforce. In a highly competitive in-

With unemployment in receiver to see how the place. Men were trained and the world and is in service Northern Ireland at 11.6 per cent, anything that might boost the province's economy is eagerly sought and supported. It is not surprising therefore wide open.

The surprising therefore without access to the province's economy is has also been talking to the province's economy is has also been talking to the new challenge is history, but it gives point to Dr Foreman's assertion that Ulstermen that Ulstermen that Ulstermen that Ulstermen that Ulstermen that Ulstermen that under the world and is in service with the United Kingdom and the with the United Kingdom and the with the United Kingdom and the world and is in service by the preserved without access to fight for survival was on. How the Belgian assets. Romania the world and is in service with the United Kingdom and the world and is in service to the preserved without access to fight for survival was on. How the world and the world and the world and the world and the with the United Kingdom and the with the United King that the Department of From the start, Shorts was are the most versatile and commerce is watching with only interested in buying the adaptable people in the world. Seen interest the latest moves Norman, not the Belgian business itself. It is acknowledged power, and we must use it to in the fight for Fairey Avia-tion by Short Brothers of Belfast, the state-owned aero-

space company.
The Short brothers—Oswald,
Horace and Eustace—made history when, in 1909, they signed with Orville and Wilbur Wright the world's first aircraft manufacturing contract— for six biplanes. It is perhaps fitting that the company should be hotly in pursuit of Fairey to establish yet another milessone in its 76-year history.
The prize is the right to manufacture the Britten-Norman Islander and Trislander aircraft. Fairey bought out Britten-Norman in 1972. The company Bembridge, Isle of Wight, and it supervises a full assembly line in Romania. Fairey's profits fell from £4.9m to £1.3m before tax last year and it wishes to sell.

importance of continuity of work than Dr Philip Foreman, Shorts' managing director.

Up to about 10 years ago, Shorts, like many other aerospace companies, relied almost entirely on Ministry of Defence contracts. They built biplanes for the First World War and flying boats and bombers for the Second World War, and kept the armed forces well supplied with military aircraft between times. Then came a series of drastic defence cuts.

Up to about 10 years ago, like—for Lockheed, undercarriage doors for Boeing and engine pods for the German VFW 614 passenger jet, among a variety of other products.

This is all work and all money, perhaps not as glamorous as military aircraft, but it all counts in the jobs league table.

It should be stressed that Shorts has not entirely severed connexions with the military. It produces the Seacat missile—the world's most widely-used ship-to-air system—and hazad year. Discussions between Shorts and Fairev had reached an advanced level when the Belgian government intervened and demanded that Fairey should finance redundancy payments to some 600 Belgian workers who would lose their jobs if the business was moved to Relfast. Estimated cost was to Belfast. Estimated cost was between £4m and £6m. Fairey owes some £14m to Belgian banks, and the sale price to Shorts was an estimated £15m.

Under Dr Foreman, the used ship-to-air system—and the spointment of a company switched from the the Tigercat, its land-based verprompted the appointment of a cosy comfort of government sion. The Blowpipe man-porteceiver. Discussions are taking contracts to the harsn realities table ground-to-air missile sysplace between Shorts and the of the international market tem is the most advanced in

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SD3-30 commuter aircraft and

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Nobody knows better the

importance of continuity of

Skyvan programmes. Both highly-successful aero-

In a highly competitive in-

dustry Dr Foreman's philoso-phy has been not to turn his

nose up to work of any kind.

Shorts has pioneered liaisons with other companies in other countries. It has agree-ments in America and Europe.

It makes pods for Rolls-Royce engines in the Lockheed

TriStar and the Boeing 747.

It also makes wings for the Dutch Fokker F28 Fellowship,

the company is registering £25m worth of exports annually.
All is not plain sailing how

ever, for the company looks like ending this year in the red. It has not escaped the general malaise of poor productivity, springing, without doubt, from a somewhat disgruntled workforce objecting to wage restraint.

Northern Ireland's problems and the drive by Mr Mason, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland of State for Northern Ireland, to use the weapon of prosperity to solve the political troubles now facing the province, it might well be argued that Northern Ireland should be treated as a special case and excused the rigours of the mainland's apti-inflation pay policies

Ronald Kershaw

#### Ford signs \$30m Egyptian deal

Dutch Fokker F28 Fellowship, control services—flaps and the like—for Lockheed, undercarriage doors for Boeing and engine pods for the German VFW 614 passenger jet, among a variety of other products.

This is all work and all money, perhaps not as glamorous as military aircraft, but it all counts in the jobs league table. Cairo, Oct 30.-- Egypt and the American Ford company yesterday signed a \$30m (£16.66m) contract under which Ford will build two factories in the country to assemble 10,000 lorries and manufacture 50,000 diesel

engines a year. Egypt will have a 40 per cer holding in the capital and Eard 30 per cent, the remainder be-ing open to public subscription in Egypt and other Arab coun-tries.—Agence France Presse.

**Acrow and Hoover** Companies reporting this TODAY.—Interims: Aberdeen

ponents, Graig Shipping, March-wiel Hidgs, McNeill Grp, York Trailer (third qtr) and Uniflex Hidgs. Finals: Midhurst White, and Myddleton Hotels. TOMORROW.—Interims: Bank Inv Tst, UBM Grp, United Kingdom Prop, Usher-Walker and Whiteley (B. S. & W.). Finals: Anglo Scottish Inv Tst, of Ireland, Canadian Foreign Inv Tst, Dorrington Inv, Hambros Inv Tst, Headlam Sims & Coggins, Mallinson-Denny, Peerage of Birmingham, Plessey, Reed International, and Roberts D. M. Lancaster, Higsons Brew-ery, Kwiksave Discount, Mitch-ell Cotts Transport, Moss Eng, Sungei Behru Rubber Est, Wm Adlard Finals: Cedar Inv Tst,

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### Cons Plantations cheer

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Following the record profits in the year to June 30 by Con-solidated Plantations, prospects seem set fair for the current trading period. This group, con-trolled by Sime Darby Hold-ings, is in rubber, oil palm and cocoa production in West Makaysia.

The chairman, Mr Tun Tan Siew Sin, reports in his annual statement that in view of the significant fall in palm oil prices since the year end, it was fortunate that by the end

of the year's estimated produc-tion at "satisfactory prices".

Last year's "exceptional per-formance" has set the group a difficult target for the current

However, output is expected to rise and the forecast of expanding volume of paint oil and cocoa will help to sustain revenues. Rubber prices recently showed a firmer trend and the board is optimistic that last year's average price will be maintained in the current year.

### Builders' profits may jump, but not shares

The construction sector, which push on inflation which, of received a much needed fillip course, would be good news for the market.

Budget, has had its fair share of accepts from City brokers over the past few days.

The food over the past few days.

The £400m Government boost to public expenditure for 1978, compled with the £200m package for the industry announced earlier this year, may well pump up the profits of the individual companies but there is little likelihood that it will do much

Over the last month the share price of the major building materials and contracting and materials and contracting and construction companies has firmed, in anticipation of the reflationary measures. And, according to analyst Mr Jeffrey Mizrahi, of brokers James Capel, the problems for 1978 have not ver been fully appreciated.

#### Brokers' views

The policy of progressive cur-backs has now been reversed, but the leads and lags in this sector will result in a difficult United Kingdom trading environment throughout 1978, he warns. As such, there is unlikely to be much further short-term relative strength.

However, Mr Tony Good, of Phillips & Drew, feels that the current strength is sustainable and suggests that a number of leading contractors—including John Laing, Richard Costain and Tarmac-still look attrac-

Agreeing with him, as far as Tarmac is concerned, is analyst Mr Martin Murch, of Simon & Coates who sees the share as a speculative buy. Despite a 53p drop in the share price from 220p in the last few weeks, as a result of the anticipated £12m loss in Nigeria, the business will benefit from the 1973 nuture in coafit from the 1978 upturn in construction, he says. The shares have a high yield, of almost 8 per cent gross, and he anticipates pre-tax earnings of around £27.5m for the group, against a

previous £25.3m.

Taking the effects of the min-Budget more generally, Mr Tony Rudd and Mr Simon Hill, of brokers Rowe Rudd see two significant trends: an underlying swinch of resources from the middle to the property and the property and the property are the property and the property are the property and the property are the p the public to the private sector and a minor shift from direct

to indirect tenation.

They also stick their necks out by predicting a \$2 pound within the next six months. This would result in a downwards

the next year greater than the risk of being in Provided his forecast of a general profits increase of 15 per cent is correct and that there is no significant rise in interest rates, he foresees little weekness in the equity market in the short-

Brokers Simon & Coates are not so confident. Equiries appear to have discounted the good news for some time ahead, and in certain sectors, such as stores, may indeed have over-discounted it. The market may therefore be more likely, over the next few months, to react on the bad news than achieve further advances on the good,

they say.

One sector unlikely to outperform the general trend is
that of the shipping groups, currently heading for another

spell of stormy weather, according to Mr Jeremy Smith, analyst with James Capel.

Labour problems, the threat of increasing United States protectionism and the stagnation in world trade has left little prospect of fairer weather. And most groups have their own particular problems to contend with on top of the general recession in the bulk market.

P&O, for example, will not see the breakthrough in earnings from underutilized bulk ships and the Beatrice oil field until 1980—somewhat later than expected—and any significant production in horsewings. ficant reduction in borrowings has been similarly deferred. Investors would be well advised, according to Mr Smith, to get our of shares now, while the

going is still relatively good.

A weighty tome entitled Burton Revisited comes from the pen of Mr Keith Wills of Hedderwick Stirling Grumbar. Two years of major policy, changes designed to stem sper-ating losses should see the group return to profits and Mr group return to profits and Mr
Wills forecasts pre-tax results
of around £13m by 1978/80.
This will probably be accompanied by the enfranchisement
of the non-voting shares, continued growth in the Top Shopand the relaunch of Peter
Robinson. Robinson.

· However, he does speculate that Burton may also be re-visited by some company look-ing to take over the group, with its exceptionally undervalued

Alison Mitchell

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#### Business appointments

### Seat on Gallaher board for Mr Robert Plancher

Mr Brian Holland is now a direc-

Mr M. C. Whatley has become financial director of Redfeard National Glass in addition to his

Mr Trevor Bedford is now director and general manager. The Hongkong Land Company. Mr J. F. Crosfield has been lected a non-executive director of laker Perkins Holdings.

Mr K. S. Axford, chairman and

tural Trades Association.

Mr Douglas Gray is now a direc-

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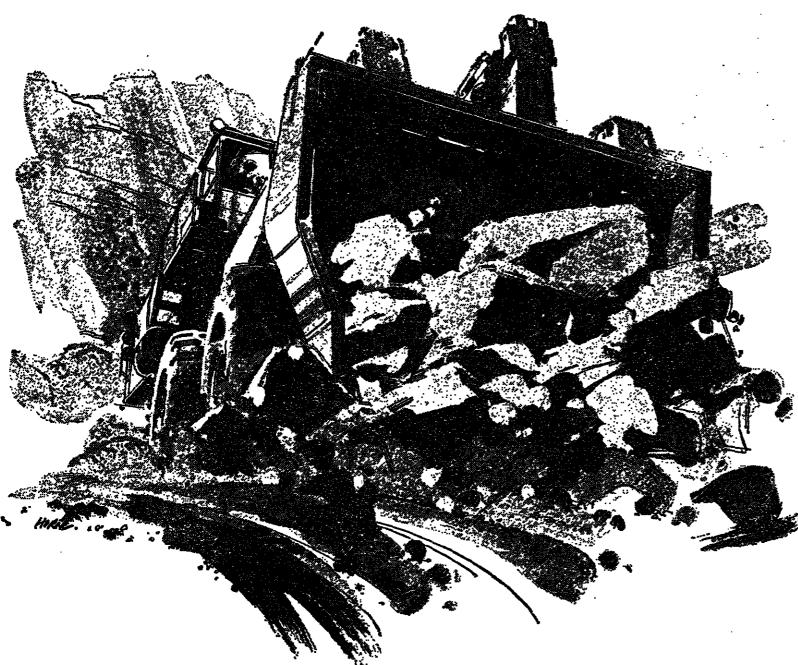
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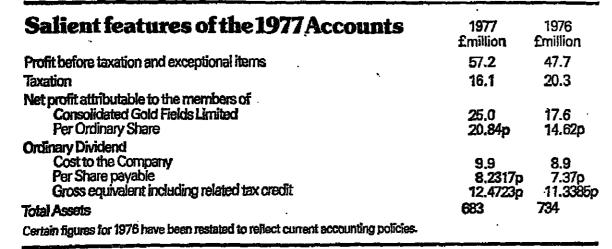
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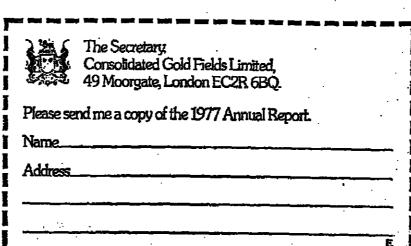
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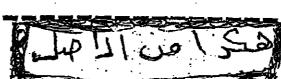
Company activities embrace steel production and distribution, construction materials, mobile plant, shipping, transport, engineering, manufacturing, trading, financial services and exploration. Its mining interests include gold, silver, coal, tin, iron ore, uranium, ilmenite, rutile, zircon, copper, zinc and vanadium.

As well as operating in the United Kingdom, Gold Fields has interests in Europe, North America, Africa, Australia, the Middle East and the Pacific.

Group companies are committed to a long term development programme to help meet future demands for natural resources essential to industry. By continuing to invest at home as well as overseas, Gold Fields is contributing to the British economy by providing employment and helping the balance of payments.







#### FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

# Underlying strength in gold demand

Despite recent fluctuations in the price, gold bullion seemingly has only one way to go and that is upwards, which is a lot more than can be said for South Airican gold mining shares, whose sensitivity to political factors even in the face of a rising bullion price has been rising bullion price, has been well demonstrated recently.

With the impending changes in the International Monetary Fund's articles and recent moves to the United States conmoves in the United States con-cerning gold collateral in commercial transactions, the structure of the gold market seems set for a radical change, although, of course, there have been already major changes coming from the IMF auctions.

But inherently the tone for gold appears bullish, with supply remaining relatively static. The Swiss Bank Corporation is the latest of the major bullion warchers to predict that the supply of new gold to the international marker will be linte changed on last year at 1.450 tonnes this year.

This assessment agrees with one from Credit Suisse and is in line with the forecast from Consolidated Gold Fields back in June that the upper limit this year was 1,500 tonnes.

Swiss Bank reckons that South African gold bar sales could well be lower this year, compared with 1976, because sales have become less urgent sales have become less urgent lion, as other areas for plac-due to the improving balance of ing their money, such as the payments and because the dollar, have become unsatisfac-

active seller in the first half and, while it made only mand from the United Stares, sporadic oppearances in the market during the summer, it is likely to account for at least the level of jewelry demand. half of South Africa's level of

The IMF will account for 187 tonnes, while an additional source is various central banks trying to overcome accute

#### Mining

currency problems Reuter reports that Portugal is estimated to have sold about 1.5 million ounces in the first eight months of the year, although this is less than three months supply from the IMF auctions. Swiss sources consider that sales may have continued recently, but have been con-ducted in such a way so as not to upset the rising bullion trend. Another ceotral bank seller

Mr Alfred Matter, head office manager of the Swiss Bank considered that the strength of bullion has been helped by Middle Eastern demand for bul-

has been Peru.

However provided the price moves up reasonably steadily and the outlook is for further rises, Western demand is not quite so inelastic.

The popularity of gold jewelry has shown considerable reperviousness to the economic recession that still persists.
Perversely, the popularity
appears to have increased
among lower income groups.
While the wearing of gold
"razor blades" around both male and female necks may be

aesthetically offensive, they are a useful addition to demand. The Swiss Bank has noted that the US futures market is growing in influence because of the ease with which volume can be turned over, with the result that the market can be distorted. Prices can be upset by chartist buying and selling in the US although there is no particular pressure on the physi-cal price in Europe. (In London it is thought that there may be a squeeze on positions in Dec-ember in the futures market.)

While the outlook for bullion continues to look strong, Consolidated Gold Fields, the prime non-premium gold counter, is continuing its diversification

demand for Kruger Rands has tory while there has also been been higher.

Against that, Russia was an active seller in the first half and, while it made only mand from the United States, it is prospecting for gold in the mand from the United States. It is prospecting for gold in the Inited States. United States and is evaluating a small New Mexico property, but any developments on this front are likely to be minor in relation to the group as a

whole. In its new phase of evolution, the group has been slim-ming down to a leaner, and no doubt hungrier, animal in terms of personnel although it is con-tinuing to expand its operations.

Expansion is to be concentrated in the United Kingdom and the United States, with the result that Australia, after its recent unhappy history, is likely to decline signicantly in importance to the group unless it can come up with some really good prospects.

Given the volatile Australian climate and the desire to lessen dependence on South Africa for obvious political reasons (airhough there are still plenty of developments on the board) of developments on the board), the United Kingdom and the United States seem to be obvious targers. ARC has done vary well for the group and seems likely to go from strength to strength, while it is continuously looking for acquisition opportunities to broaden its base and increase market penetration.

Desmond Quigley

#### Kennecott waits for copper prices to rise

New York. - Kennecott Copper Corporation will continue to report unsatisfactory results if copper prices stay where they are.

The group reports a third quarter loss of 66 cents a share compared with a profit a year ago of 15 cents a share. Kennecott said that any improvement in copper prices will depend on a sizable reduction in world copper stocks. This, in turn, will require either an important increase in copper demand or big cuts in output.

Reflecting lower copper prices and sales and the impact of shutdowns and brief strikes at its copper mining operations, sion had a significant loss in

National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd. (A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENTERPRISE) NEW DELHI (INDIA)

#### INVITATION TO BID FOR TRANSMISSION LINE EQUIPMENT SINGRAULI SUPER THERMAL POWER PROJECT

Proposals are invited by the National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd., for the supply of materials mentioned herein for their 400 kV Trensmission Lines for Singrauli Super Thermal Power Project in Uttar Pradesh, India.

Separate proposals shall be received for the materials indicated below at the address and on the date mentioned herein upto 1030 hrs. (IST) and opened on the same day at 1100 hrs. (IST).

The project is partly financed by credit from the International Development Association. Participation is limited to Bidders from member countries of International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and Switzerland and the materials offered shall have their source of origin in member countries of IBRD and Switzerland.

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2.	Supply of about 5000 strings of Disc Insulators (12000 and 16500 kg Electro Mechanical strength) and hardware fittings (Specification No.CC-12-004 B)	250	38	1st Nov. 1977	27th Jan. 1978	4th Feb. 1978	

Bidders who wish to participate for ACSR conductor and/or Galvanised Steel Earthwire, must have established manufacturing facility in their shop to manufacture and supply 61 strand and above size ACSR conductor and/or Galvanised Steel Earthwise of size 7/9 SWG or equivalent for overhead transmission lines. The minimum acceptable experience is three (3) years. Bidders must have manufactured and/or supplied at least five hundred (500) kms. of sixty one (61) strand ACSR conductor from the manufacturing facility specified above.

Bidders who wish to participate for Disc Insulators and/or Hardware littings should have designed, manufactured, tested and supplied Insulators and/or Hardware fittings for 400 kV transmission line or should have under advance stage of manufacture such material for 400 kV transmission line.

The Bidders will be required to furnish a Bid Guarantee and Contract Performance Guarantee for amounts of 2% and 10% respectively. The Bidding documents can be had from the address given below on payment of the cost of bid documents for respective items either by certified cheque or by crossed Demand Draft payable to National Thermal Power Corporation

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## INVITATION TO CONSULTANTS -INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL

The Federal Capital Development Authority (FCDA) as been entrusted by the Federal Military Government of Nigeria with the task of building a new Capital City.

The selected territory for the Capital is an area of 8,000 quare kilometres in the heart of Nigeria. The territory is argely undeveloped. It is expected that the Authority will recommend a laster Plan of the City and the entire Region to the Covernment in 1978 and that the first proposals for infratructure projects will be designed during that period, to

polement the Master Plan-The Authority intends to develop the territory by co-rdinating the skills of its own professional and allied staff ith those offered by Consultants and by seeking the support the Nigerian Ministries and parastatals which provide

In order to co-ordinate the Authority's proposals for frastructures with the design stage of the Master Plan tercise, the Authority is now intigering Consultants with oven skills in the relevant fields to submit full details of feir interests and experience for consideration.

Pre-qualification submissions should be submitted, on or fore 5th December, 1977, to:

The Executive Secretary

The Executive Secretary, Federal Capital Development Authority, State House, 11, Marina, P.M.B. 12534,

Lagos, NIGERIA.

Submissions will be considered under the following

PROJECT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION:
Consultants are invited to assist FCDA in programming
the infrastructural development and in scheduling and
monitoring all construction activities required to build

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS: Consultants are invited to assist FCDA with the planning and design of the following elements of the infra-

(i) Road Systems

(ii) Mass Transport Systems Public & Private, multi-modal (iii) Airports

(iv) Electrical Supply & Distribution

(v) Communications Systems (vi) Water Supply & Water Systems

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wo referees to whom FCDA may apply in confidence. Consultants should make themselves familiar with proonal working conditions in Lagos and in the territory as will be responsible for their own support, transport and namodation before facilities can be provided by the

#### **Everything** fine at Assam-now Assam Trading (Holdings)

thinks that the future is bright
but not for long. At the
moment tea prices are high but
Sir Owain Jenkins, chairman,
reminds shareholders that they cannot expect recent wide profit margins (narrowed by tax anyway) to last indefinitely.

For better or worse, Assam now leans more heavily than ever before on bicLeod Russel-

though the form of that reliance has changed. Thanks to a great tidying up in the tea business McLeod Russel is no longer a subsidiary out an associate, though a far bigger group than ever before.
Assam has also rid itself of

interest outside plantations so that it has at preent no income that it has at preent no income of consequence other than its profit share (in practice dividends declared) by McLeod. Moreover, Assam itself has still to repay debts, the legacy of its past activities in fields outside tea.

J Lewis Partnership

-disappointing week A reminder that hopes of a consumer spending boom this autumn and Christmas are no more than hopes at present comes from the John Lewis Partnership department stores.

Last week sales rose by only
12.6 per cent to just over 55m though in the Waitrose food shops the figures were better. So total sales were more than £8.5m, a gain of 13.6 per cent.

More share prices The following will be added to the London and Regional Share Price List tomorrow and will be published daily in Business News.

Financial Trusts

Exploration Co.

#### Briefly

PARKER TIMBER
Chairman told annual meeting that company malumining bigger share of market. He confirmed confidence in this year's trading.

ACROW
Group paying just over fim for
half share in a Brazilian engineering company. Rest to be taken
up by Brazilian company owned
jointly by Ocean Wilson (Holdings) and Inchcape.

ALLIED INVESTMENTS Chairman reports that group is in negotiations to provide the additional equity needed to finance current operations and further hospital/clinic contracts in view.

TIN COMPANIES Southern Kinta and Southern Malayan Tin Dredging. Emigra-tion to Malaysia formalized.

FOREIGN AND COLONIAL INV New six month loan of \$3m arranged with Chemical Bank. Some of the money used to repay borrowings of around \$2.6m. Once again Glaxo has reported record results. In the year to 30th June, 1977 Group external sales rose by £77 million to £488 million. Sales overseas were £299 million, an increase of £43 million, and U.K. sales, excluding wholesaling, wereup £13 million to £76 million. Goods exported from the U.K. totalled £112 million, an increase of £18 million. Profit before tax was £13 million higher at

The figures tell their own story and demonstrate the global strength of Glaxo.

49.3p against 41.1p a year ago.

£87 million and earnings per share a record

But Glaxo's strength can be measured in other ways too - in the success of its internationally acknowledged pharmaceutical, food and surgical products, in the research that discovers them, and in the energy that translates those ideas into reality.

Take, for example, our cephalosporin antibiotics; our anti-asthma products and topical steroids for skin treatments. Take also our new anti-hypertensive drug, with its entirely novel mode of action, and our new injectable

cephalosporin antibiotic which we expect to market early next year, and you have some measure of Glaxo's capacity for innovation.

Apart from such ethical pharmaceuticals there are other famous products that contribute to the strength of Glazo, products like the recently launched Osterfeed for babies, Complan, the complete food drink, the wellestablished proprietary pharmaceuticals, Adexolin, Minadex and Haliborange and our range of ethical products for the veterinary world where we continue to be the U.K. market leader.

In the past ten years alone Glaxo has developed no less than twelve important new products and the search for new ideas goes on. Currently we're investing £20 million a year world-wide on Research and Development.

But ideas alone are not enough. Glaxo is strong in manufacture, in marketing and in distribution. In the U.K. and in 41 countries overseas over 30,000 Glaxo people are engaged in providing the products needed everywhere in the fight for better health.

From any angle, Glazo's record of achievement is impressive. But what lies ahead? This is what Austin E. Bide, Glaxo's Chairman and Chief Executive, has to say about the Group's future-"The key to success for Glaxo is the technology that we export in the products we invent to satisfy people's needs wherever they arise. On this basis Glaxo has flourished and may reasonably hope to continue to do so".

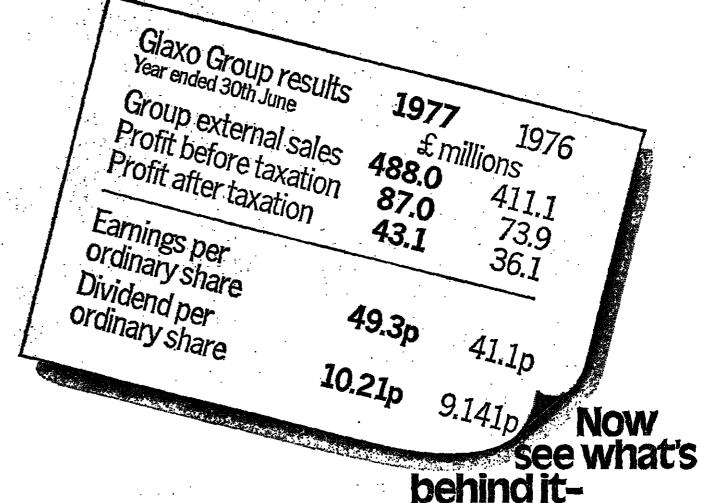
If you would like a copy of the latest Annual Report of Glaxo Holdings Ltd. and the Chairman's Statement to Stockholders, just send the coupon.

The product names in italies

The Secretary, Glazo Holdings Ltd., Clarges House, 6/12 Clarges Street, London W1YSDH Please send me a copy of your Annual Report

GIAXO No.1 in British Pharmaceuticals

# The global strength of Glaxo



### A strike at AB Elect's described as damaging

y Our Financial Staff From Abercynon in Alamorgan comes had news rom A B Electronics Comonents. It sells its bits and vieces to the hi-fi, radio and elevision industries, machine ools, office equipment, com-outers and many other indus-

Mr George Cantlay, chair-nan, says that a damaging strike started the present finantial year to June 30. It hit all the United Kingdom component factories, and was the first official strike in group

To what precise extent the strike will damage the next set of half yearly figures is not stated but it was settled within Government enidelines and all factories resumed normal working on October 10. A new productivity scheme will take time to pull its weight but the chairman says there should be "substantial long term bene-

In the past year the group hoisted sales by 34 per cent to £16.7m, spearheaded by exports which went up 59 per cent and foreign sales by 55 per cent. The group is not despondent, but the chairman sounds a warning. To keep order books long the group needs a "continuing, steady improvement of the economy" and a "value of sterling remaining favourable for our wages intensive industry".

#### Caparo says bid for Singlo is already high

The latest document to fall through the letter boxes of shareholders in Singlo Planta-tions is (at last) a buff formal offer document from Caparo for Singlo, a document that Singlo's chairman Mr D. M.

Slococl: has hastened to reject.
Caparo seeks to justify the value of £3.9m its offers place on Single in the following way.
It suggests a value of £1.5m for Singlo's Indian tea business which it argues is 15 per cent greater than the value Caparo estimates the board placed on it in the Indianization plans put forward by the Indian authori-

ties.
Singlo's other interests, it points out, were mostly recently bought, and Caparo has taken the values put on them by Singlo when it bought them. Caparo's chairman. Mr Swraj Paul, is also at pains to stress the benefit to Singlo of his family's substantial industrial interests in India.

### Bank Base Kates

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### Copper producers will tighten-up on costs says CIPEC chief

Although copper producers are looking forward to increased demand for the metal in the next decade, with a consequent boom in prices, the immediate outlook is not bright.

The long run of low prices and the growing total of world stocks—at least two million wannes-have been reflected in a shelving of new development of mines. Yet the tendency has been for output to increase in the developing countries in the scramble for foreign exchange earnings and to combat growing unemplayment.

Furthermore, producers in the developing countries became discouraged when the 15 per zeaz cut in production organized by the Council of Copper Exporting Countries (CIPEC) in 1975 feeled to in-fuence the word price.

According to Senor Enrique Volenzuela, Chile's Mining Minister and chairman of CIPEC, the exporting countries have decided that it is useless to try to support the world price with cutbacks in production. He said that Chile would export about one milion tonnes this year, the same as

last year.
The CIPEC countries would concentrate on cutting production costs, "just tightening up everywhere so that even at today's prices, which are the lowest in real terms since World War II, we are not los-

ing any money."
Talking about CIPEC's efforts to negotiate with consumers a price stabilization scheme, through the United scheme, through the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Unctad), Señor Paleuruela said that high copper prices were not the solution; they would simply cause consumers to seek substitutes for copper. The aim was to try to ayold big variations in the world price.

Another view was put in a

Another view was put in a London speech by Mr G. K. Chinkuli, the Zamhian Minister of Mines. He said that Zainbian copper production would have to be rationalized until

Commodities

prices rose sufficiently to justify recommencement of opera-

tions. Inevitably expensive and high cost operations would have to be closed and put on a care and main tenance basis. Zambia would like to feel that other copper producers would begin to lock realistically at their production schedules against the back-ground of projected or forecast

consumption. He said that CIPEC "mist begin a soul-searching malvis of their destines and a lealistic examination of their consciences.

"Some of us are contributing to these low prices by announcing record production figures which do not impress anyone ir. today's market conditions.

He said that there was obviously a limit to the amount of losses which Zambia could afford to shoulder and corry forward. "We as a country have to accept to live with the world recession and the most important thing to do now is to find our own solutions to the difficulties."

ln a reference to a recent speech by President Kenneth Kaunda in Zambia on measures to reduce dependence on copper, Mr Chialtuli said there was going to be a said there was going to be a concentrated policy of diversification of the economy with particular emphasis on agricul-

He felt somewhat disiilusioned at the half-hearted approach with which the Unctad deliberations on copper were being conducted.

When the price of copper improved in the 1980s, which surely must do, it would he probably too late to generate enough enthusiasm to reconvene Unctad discussions on

"We must therefore strike

some understanding on this very important issue in the interest of both producers and consumers.' A forecast that the surplus

production over consumption will continue to mount in the period to 1980 is made in latest issue of Copper Trends from Amalgamated Metal Trading. This is Jespite closures and reductions capacity utilization by the United States mining industry.

The report says that mine and refined production will continue to increase due to decisions taken in 1973-74 to implement green field and incremental capacity expansions and due to the need for the developing countries to maintain foreign exchange revenue and employment.

As the expected growth in consumption of refined copper will not, by itself, be large enough to bring about any meaningful increases in real copper prices in the period to 1980, increased attention will be given to the establishment of buffer stocks, but their formation is unlikely to take place for some three years, says the report.

Currency instability and volatility is likely to increase over the next six months as the value of the dollar declines against certain currencies and the prices of precious metals

rise.
The report says that an increase in the copper price can be expected over the next six months as supply and demand come into balance in the first half of 1978 and as precious

metal prices improve.

"However, the price increase in copper will be constrained by the large overhang of inventory, the need by some producers to reduce inventory and by the necessity to in-crease capacity utilization, to

contain up.t costs.

"We believe that copper prices could rise to 65 cents per lb (£819 per tonne) during the next six months."

Wallace Jackson

#### Dealers reveal gloomy view Freight report THE REPORT OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY.

Brokers are betting on world scale 30 for vice's out of the Gulf by Christmas. This opti-mism was caused by the re-markable improvement in vice rates last week. Midweek the 240,000 deadweight Primarosa went to Asbland at worldscale 241, but the best rate came from the 250,000-ton Volere which went to Shell Houston, Gulf/West at worldscale 251;

on average a three point in-crease on the week before. Elf also took the 270,000 dw Thorsholm, it is thought at

and well into November as in-quiries for vlcc's number 13 at present and there are only about that number waiting in the Gulf for spot charters now.
It looks as if after many months, owners will now be able to pick and choose. Although gloom was the watchword in the market until two weeks ago with inquiries from Petronor Scanports Gulf Hoegh Asip and Petropolar, it is possible that owners will get worldscale 27 this week.

Activity elsewhere has been less dramatic, with Mediter-

ranean rates weakening Hilaire Gomer

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### of the near-term outlook Eurodollar bond prices stabi-

lized last week as underwriters continued to postpone new public issues and the recent rise in short-term Eurodollar interest rates showed signs of levelling out, writes AP-Dow Jones.

None the less, conversations with several underwriters and dealers revealed a rather gloomy view of the near-term outlook for the Eurodollar bond "It is a head I win, tails

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that in his opinion the acceptable interest rate for a 10-year bond denominated in a stable currency is about 7.0 per cent.
But he said that investors
should insist on a "devaluation
premium" of about 2 per cent
points for holding 10-year Eurodollar bonds or a gross yield of 9.0 per cent.

By this reckoning, Eurodollar bond prices would have to fall about 2.5 points or more before yields were brought up to the 9.0 per cent level. For example, a recent \$50m, 10-year issue of the European Investment Bank bearing 8.25 per cent was quoted on Friday at 98—bid to yield 8.56 per cent at maturity. Similarly, a S40m, 10-year

### Euromarkets

TO BE OF THE PROPERTY OF issue of Gotaverken AB with a Swedish sovernment guaranty was quoted at 97 bearing 8.125 per cent, to yield 8.58 per cent. A British Government-guaranteed, 10-year issue of the National Coal Board, totalling \$100m, was quoted at 96.25 bearing 8.0 per cent to yield 8.57 per cent.

needed to raise the yields to 9.0 per cent.
The Luxembourg banker also

argues that Deutsche mark issues should have a "revalua-tion premium" of about 2 percentage points so that a level of 5.0 per cent should become acceptable for 10-year paper. If so, Euromark bond prices will have to rise further, even though the market for these securities is currently showing signs of resisting the latest bout of coupon cutting to the 6.0 per cent level.

A German banker said that in his opinion yields of 10-year Deutsche mark bonds will not get below 5.5 per cent in the current cycle.

And at present, domestic Deutsche mark bonds are yielding slightly more than Euro-mark bonds, bankers say. Thus, foreign demand has had to absorb most of the DM1,600m (about \$700m) of the international issues scheduled so

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#### Nestle fillip

Sales of Nestlé SA, the Swiss foods group, in the first eight months of this year rose by 15.5 per cent to 13,670m francs (about £3,300m) from the similar period last year. The multi-national said in a letter to shareholders that profits, however, should not be expected to match the rise in sales. It did not give profit figures. Nestle said that the rise in sales was due in good part to its instant drinks sector, whose sales jumped by 29.1 per cent to 4.900m francs during the first loan st eight months. But the company said that this increase resulted from higher prices for coffee stocks.

and cocoa, the main ingredient for the instant beverages, and not because of an increase in

UNITED NEWSPAPERS
Turnover gains came mainly from newspaper sales and advertising. Latest figures also compare with last year when August suffered from newspaper strikes. WILLIAMS HUDSON GROUP

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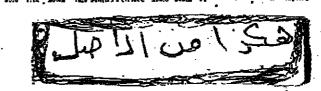
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Notice is heroby given that the CRIDITIONS of the above-named Company, which is being YOLUN-TARILY YOUND UP, are required, on or before the 20th day of November, 1977, to send in their hill Christian and surames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debte or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any, to the undersolvent of their debte or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any, to the undersolvent of their debte or claims at such time and their solicitors, to come to and prove their debts or claims at such time 3 might be continued to the state of their debte or claims at such time 3 might be continued from the become their with better their debte or claims at such time 3 might be continued from the become the capy distriction made before such tous are proved.

Dated this 20th day of October.

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P. F. M. SHEWELL.
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N.A.—This notice is purely for-nal. All known creditors have been, r will be, paid in full.

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M. A. JORDAN. Liquidator.

Limited of 96 London Road. Sevenceles, Kent.

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of 76 New Cavendish Survet. London, Wilm Sahl hereby give notice
that I have been duly appointed
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All persons having in their possession any of the effects of the
Compeny must deliver them to me,
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Creditors who have not yet
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I. P. PHILLIPS.

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